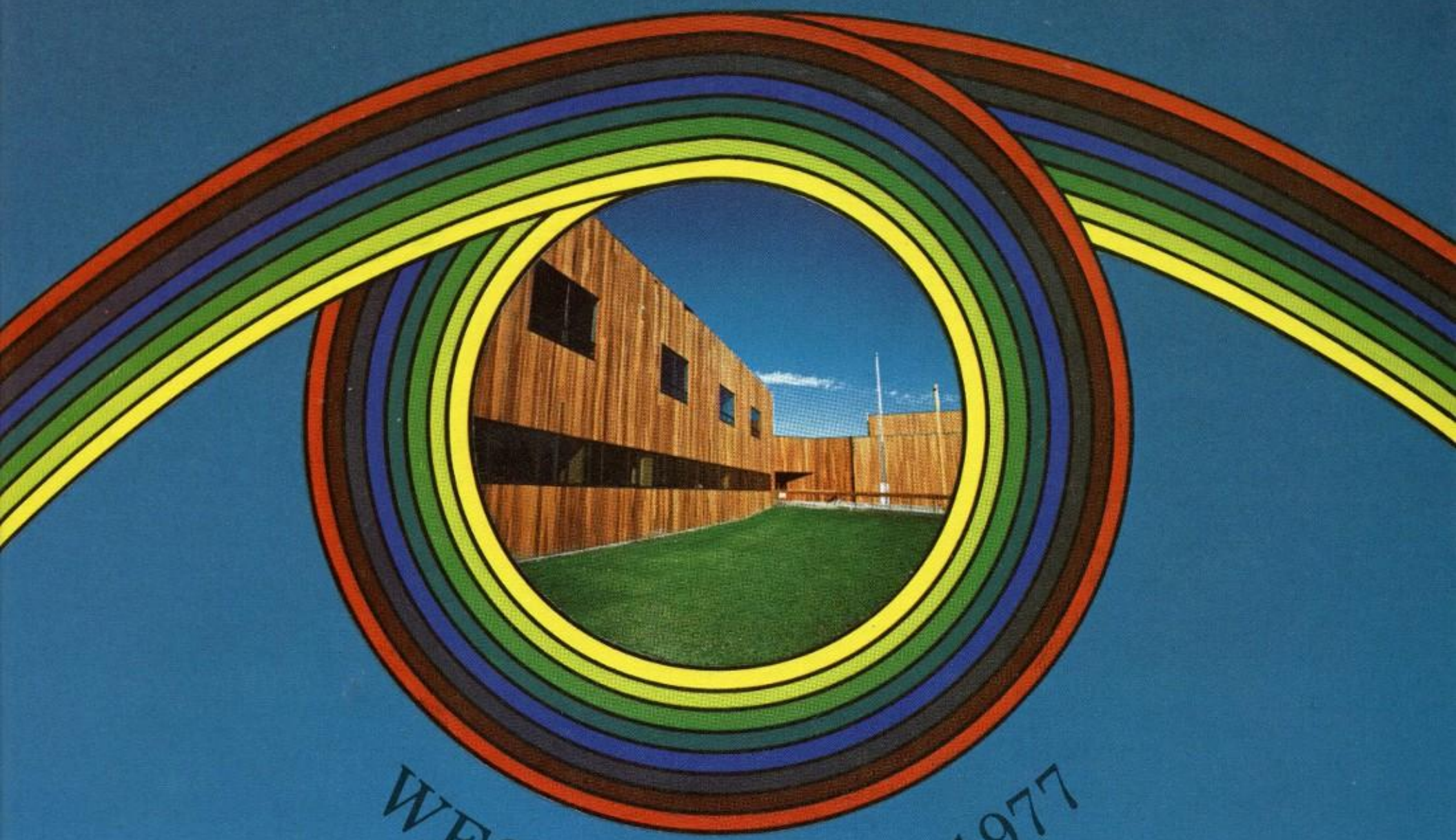


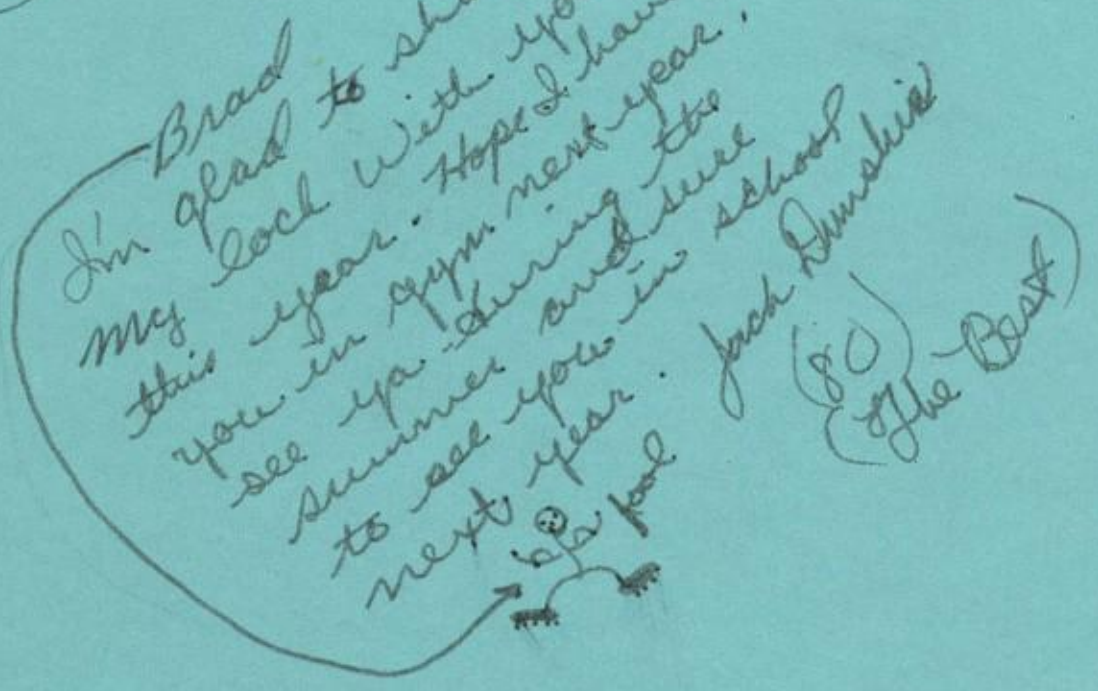
WEST AURORA 1977

BRAD WALTER SHIRA

Brad,
You are a really nice guy and
I'm glad I got to know you.
I know that next year you
are going to be a great
trackman. I hope you
have a good summer &
take it easy with Linda!
(She's lucky) I hope
to see you this summer.
May be I'll get darker
than you. I also hope
we have classes together.
Keep cool Bye call me
sometime
479-3838

Love
Cris

Brad
I'm glad to share
my lock with you
this year. Hope I have
you in gym next year.
See ya during the
summer and sure
to see you in school
next year. Jack Sunshine
(GO
The Best)



BRAD IM GLAD I GOT TO KNOW
YOU THIS YEAR I GUESS YOUR
PRETTY KOOL SO BE CAREFUL AND
DON'T GET TOO MANY AT ONE TIME
SEE YOU THIS SUMMER MAYBE

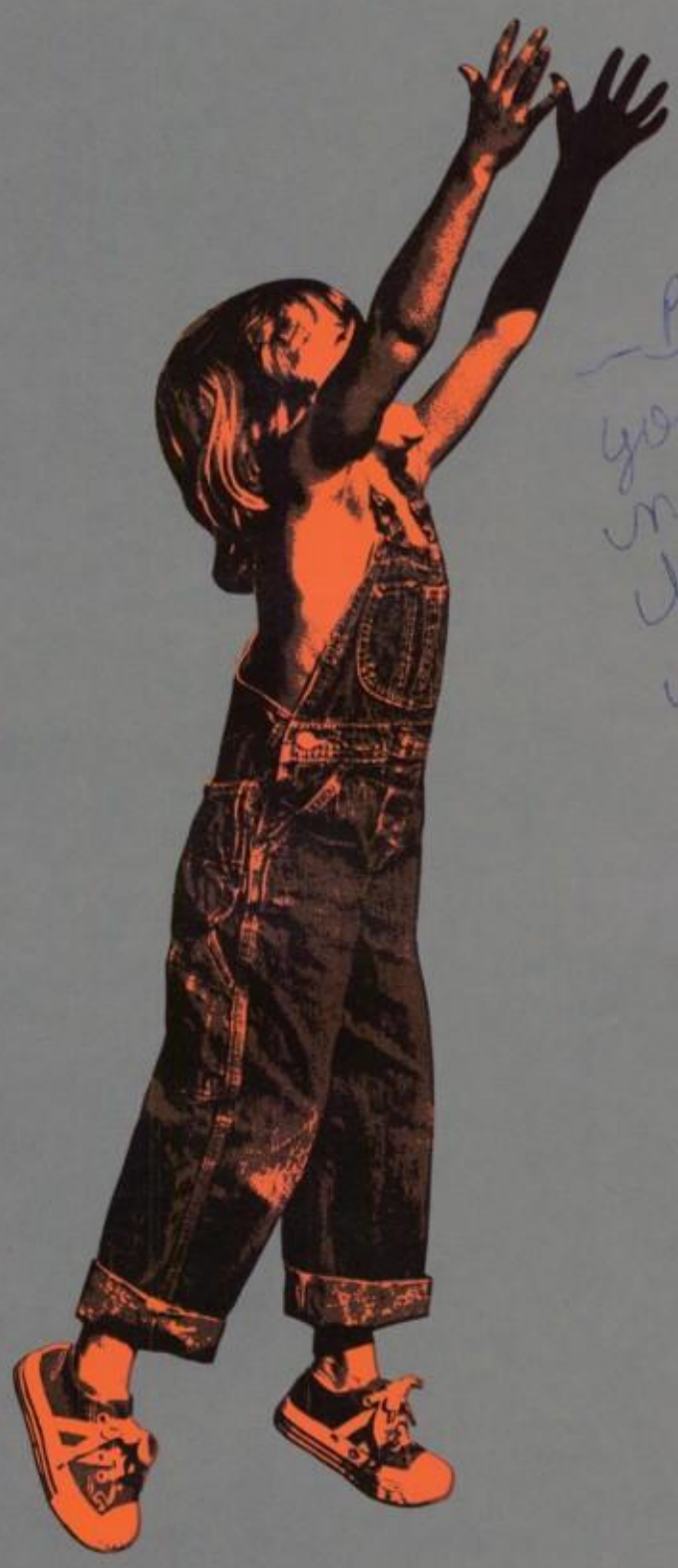
JIM
'GO'

Brad,
Thanx alot of
being a bartender at
our ball! You were the
best. Remember Karate!!!
Love Porcia Foxtan

Brad
You're a real neat guy with
but stay out of trouble with
the girls. Don't get too fresh.
Ken Elliot

Brad,
Thanks for being a great bartender at our ball. I guess that is all for now. Remember if you ever have to tell anything (I mean, whatever) to remember to keep it like a secret. Pretty soon you'll have gotten this all out of your system and be ready to talk about anything else. I'm sure you understand why she is so moody but to tell you the truth I don't know either. Sometimes she needs a change of scenery. Please take it easy. Sometimes she needs a change of scenery. Please take it easy. Sometimes she needs a change of scenery. Please take it easy

Keep your neck red
and your lungs clean
good luck
Paul Berry (80)



—Brad
You're a real
neat guy to
be around and
we'll never for-
get you helping
me in last
years class! I
hope we see
you next
year and
have fun
this summer
Take care
Yur "80"
Caller rules
Thompson

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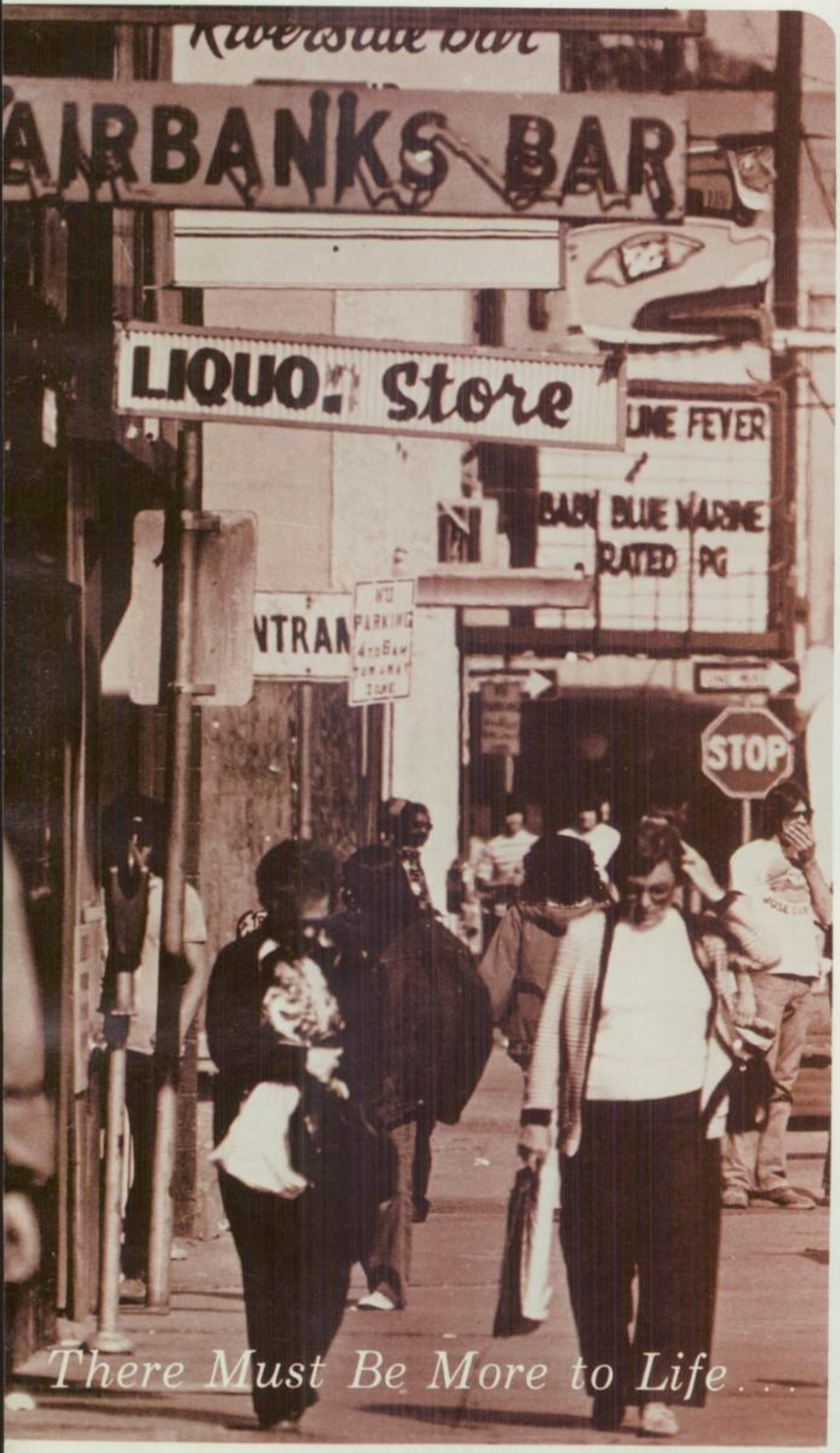
that I think you are a great guy with one terrific pr
Good luck in everything you do you don't need luc
spend with you. We are gonna have lots of fun

Brad - Mary wro
have to write



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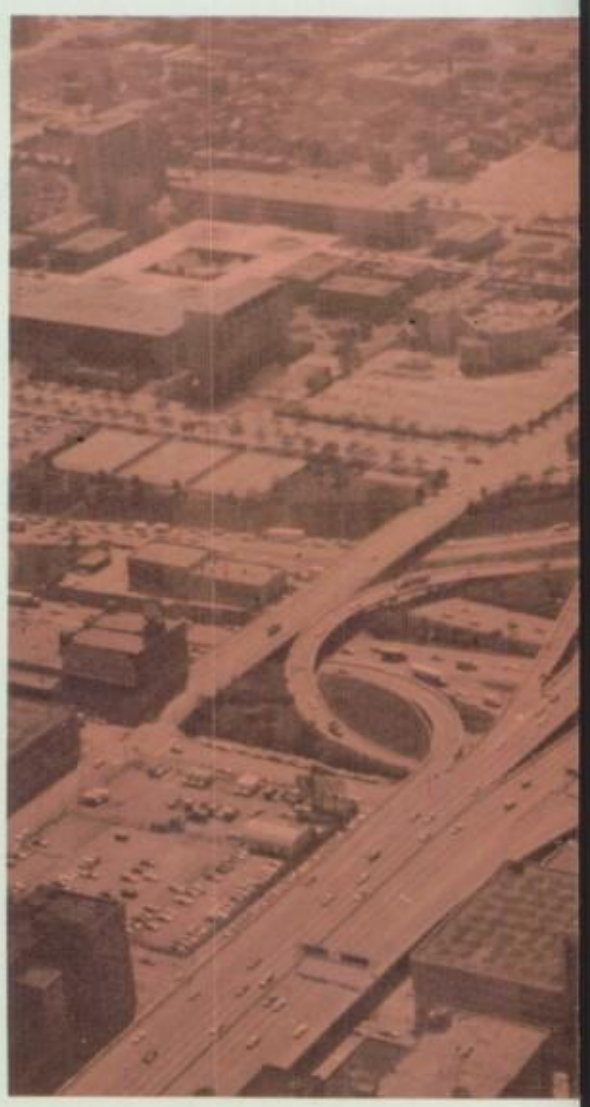
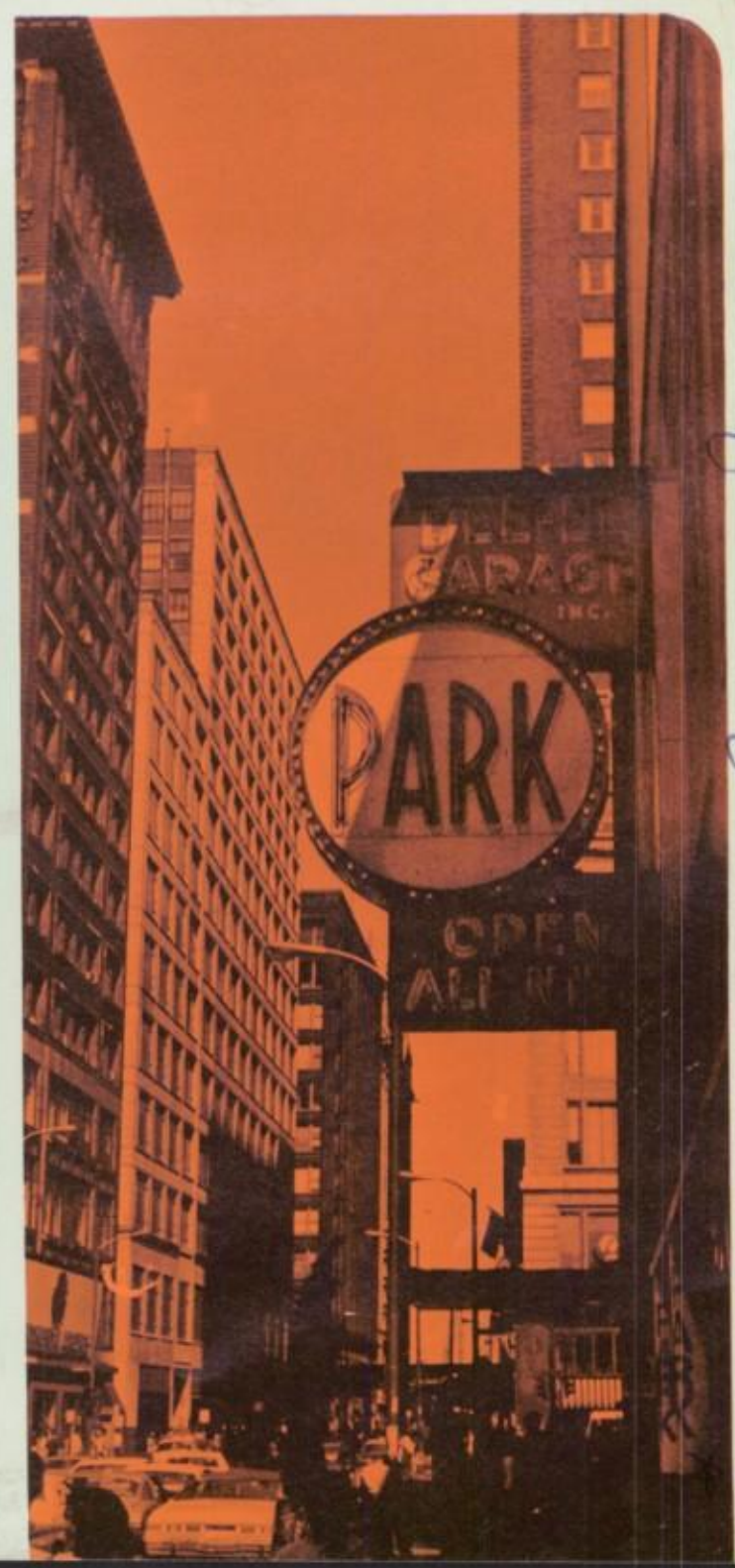


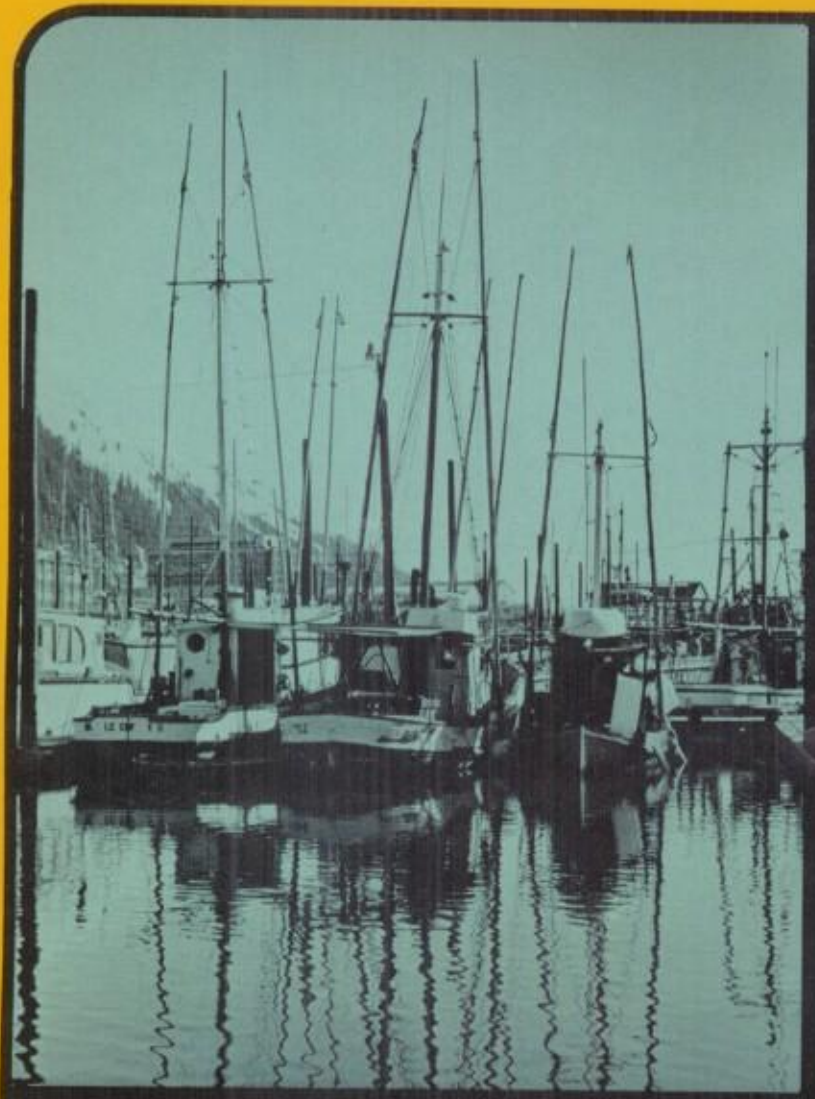
my place so I guess I will
re. I just wanted to say
nality. Stay sweet and
cuz you are a natural
s. Be good & have a

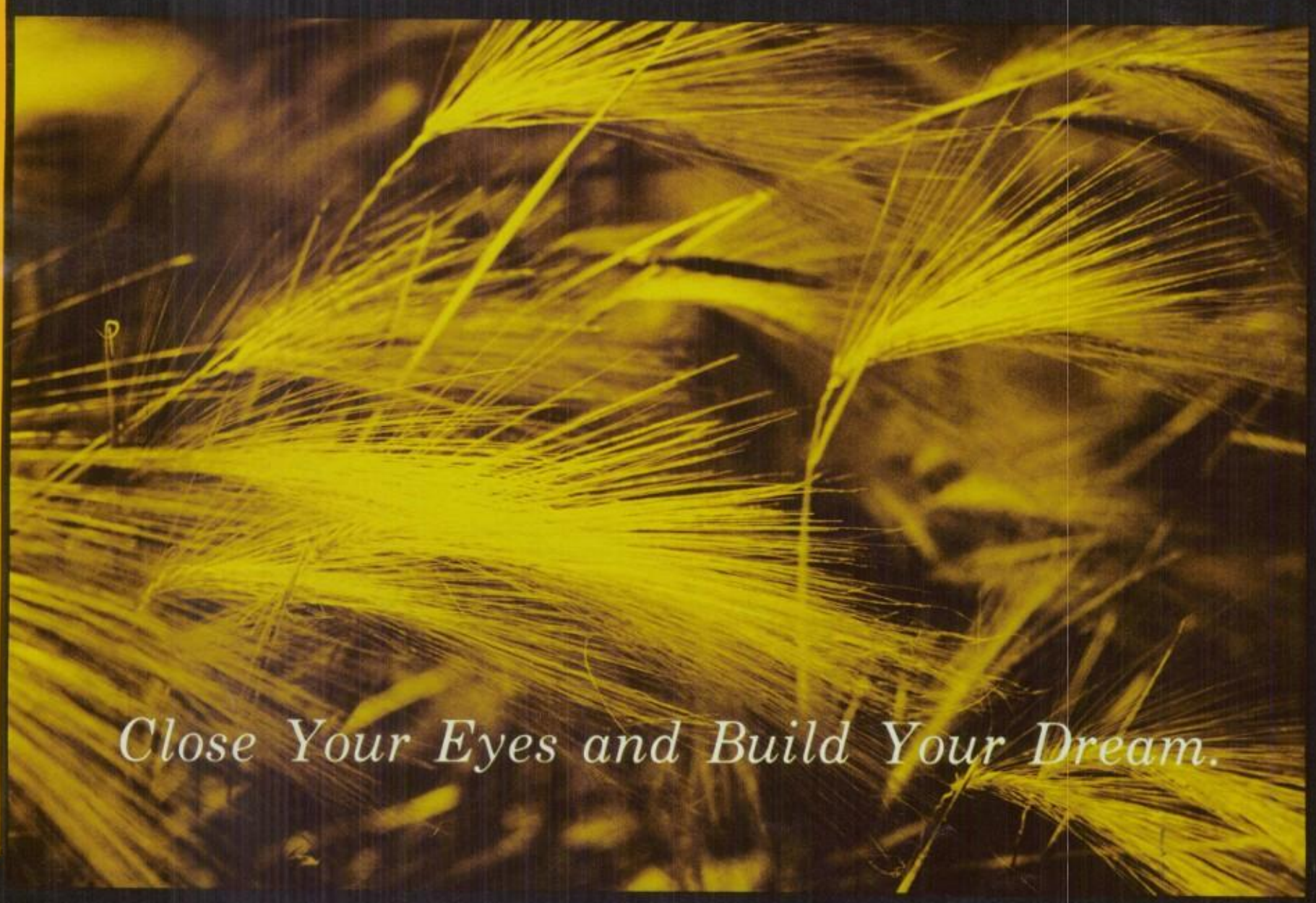
Brad-
Even though
Im the second
person to sign
this. (I should
of been 1st)
I'll rite some-
thing nice
we only had
one class
together
& Designer wouldn't
you know, But
it was fun.
Have a great
summer. I
hope I see
you this
summer.
Love Always,
Mary Van
Hamisson

cute as you are, & you'll
winter. I'm looking forward to
summer. Don't do anything I wouldn't do
make it. Now



Bad don't
the next
3 years that I get to
Friends forever - Love Randi
Dear
Bad
Get that ad to your head





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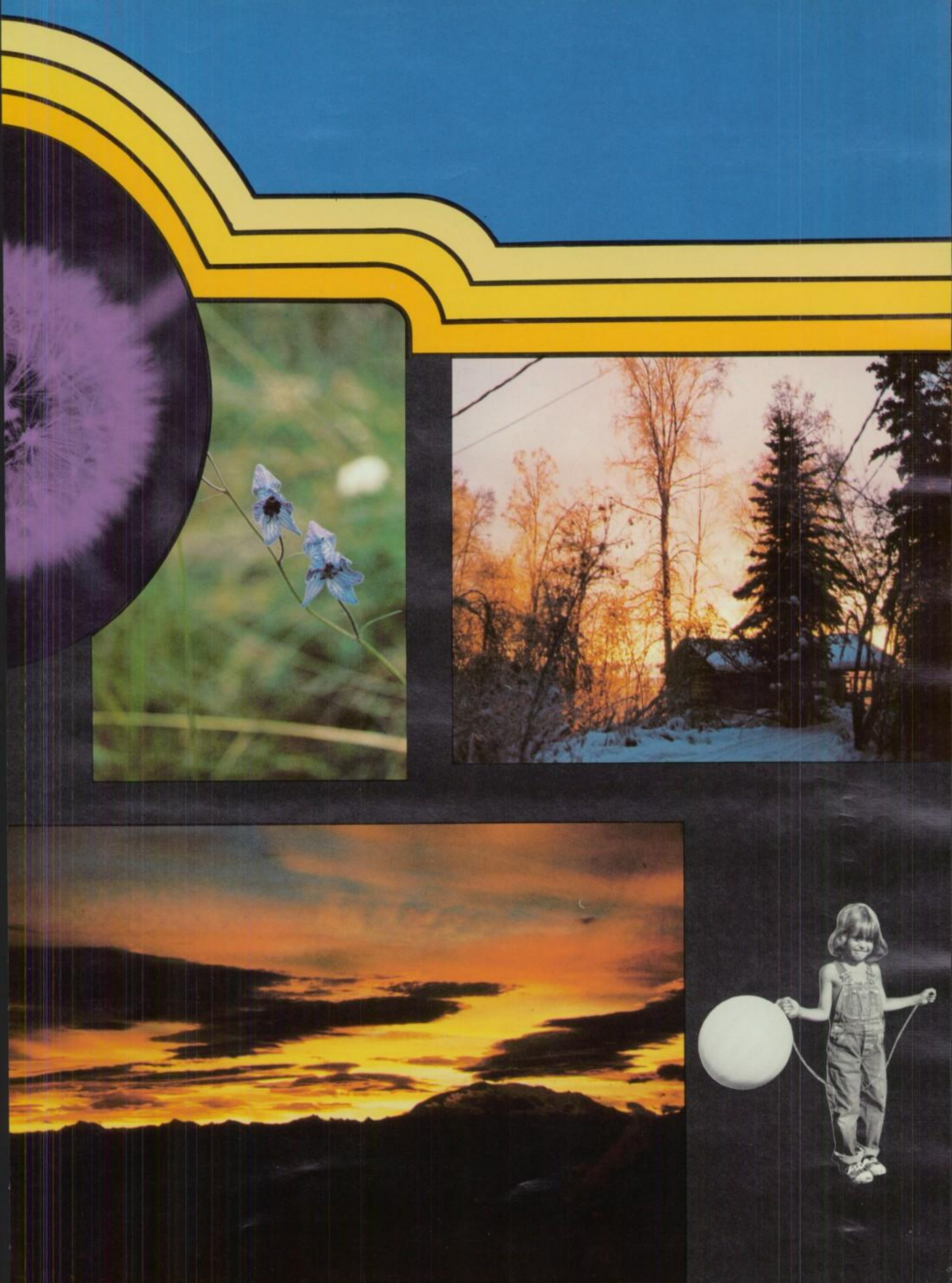
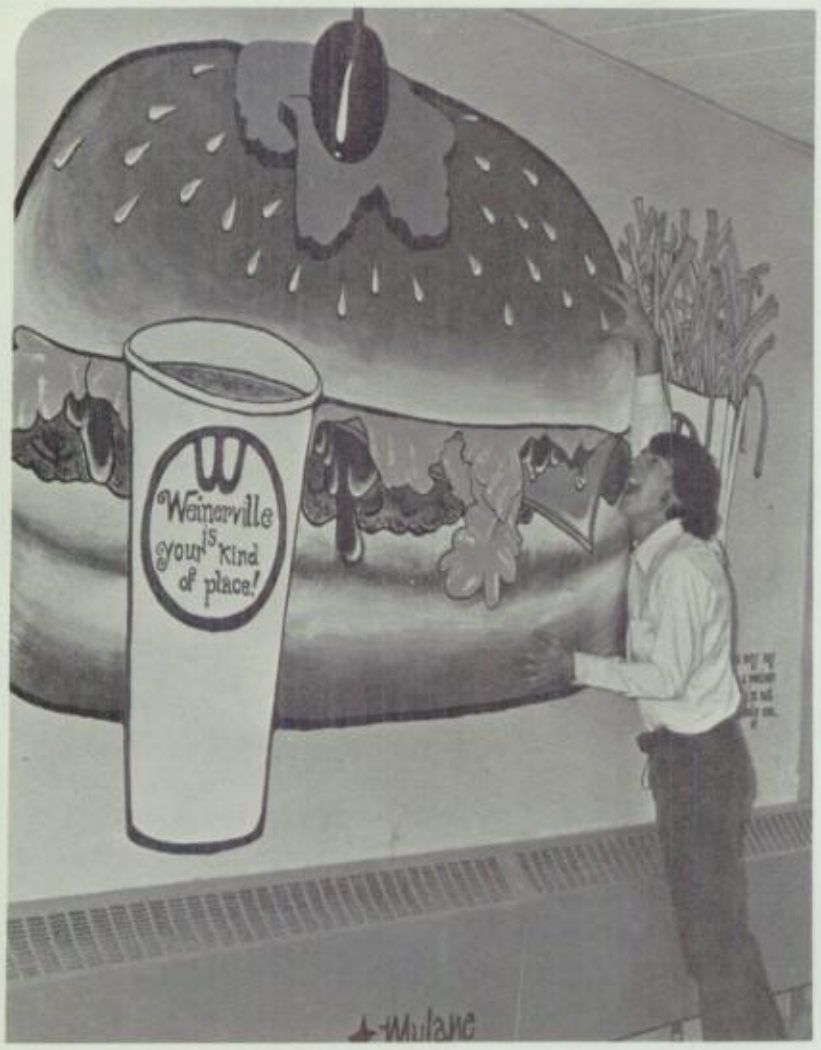
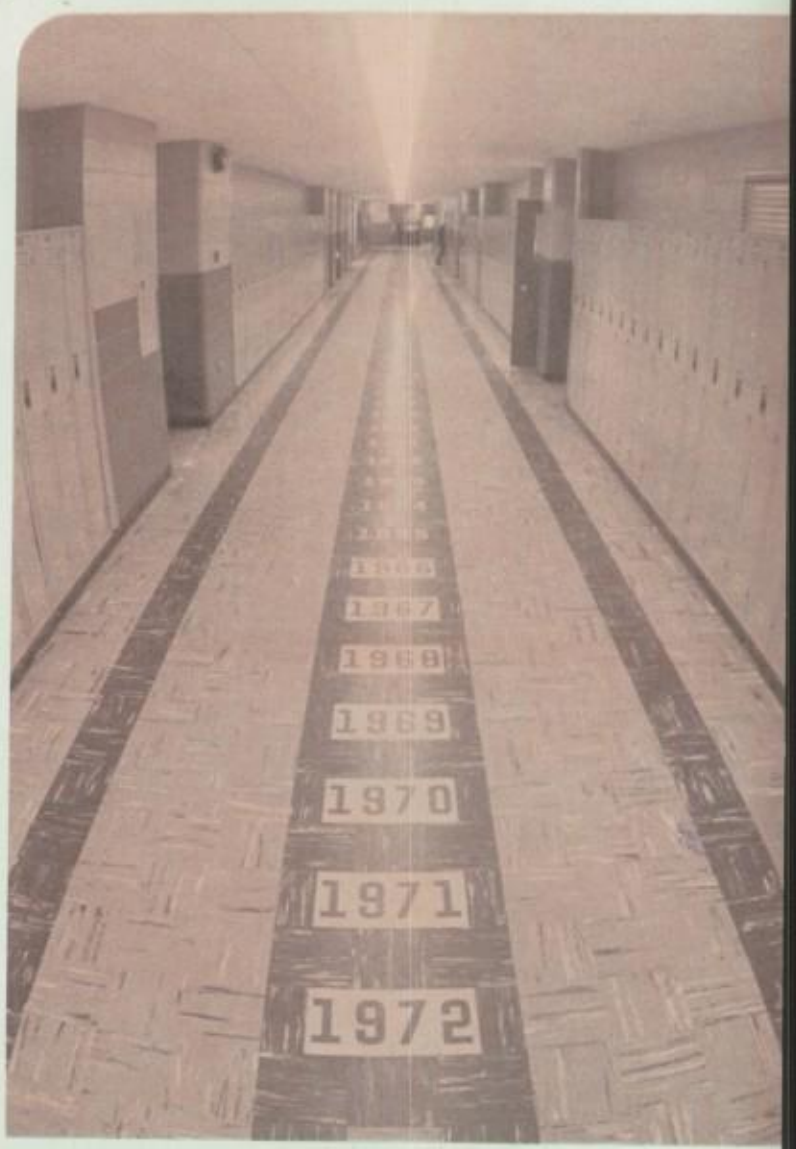
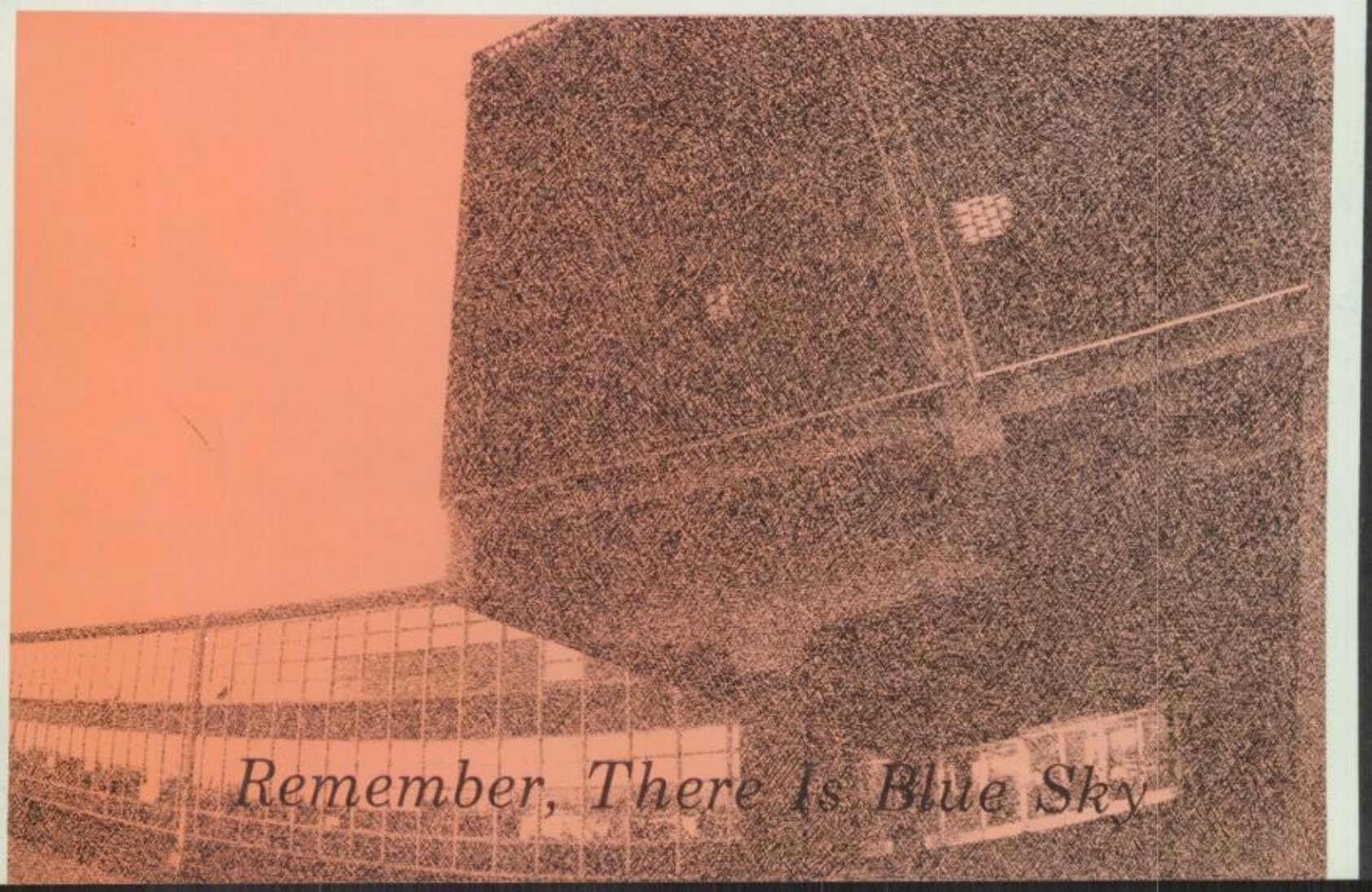






Goodbye to all ill memories!



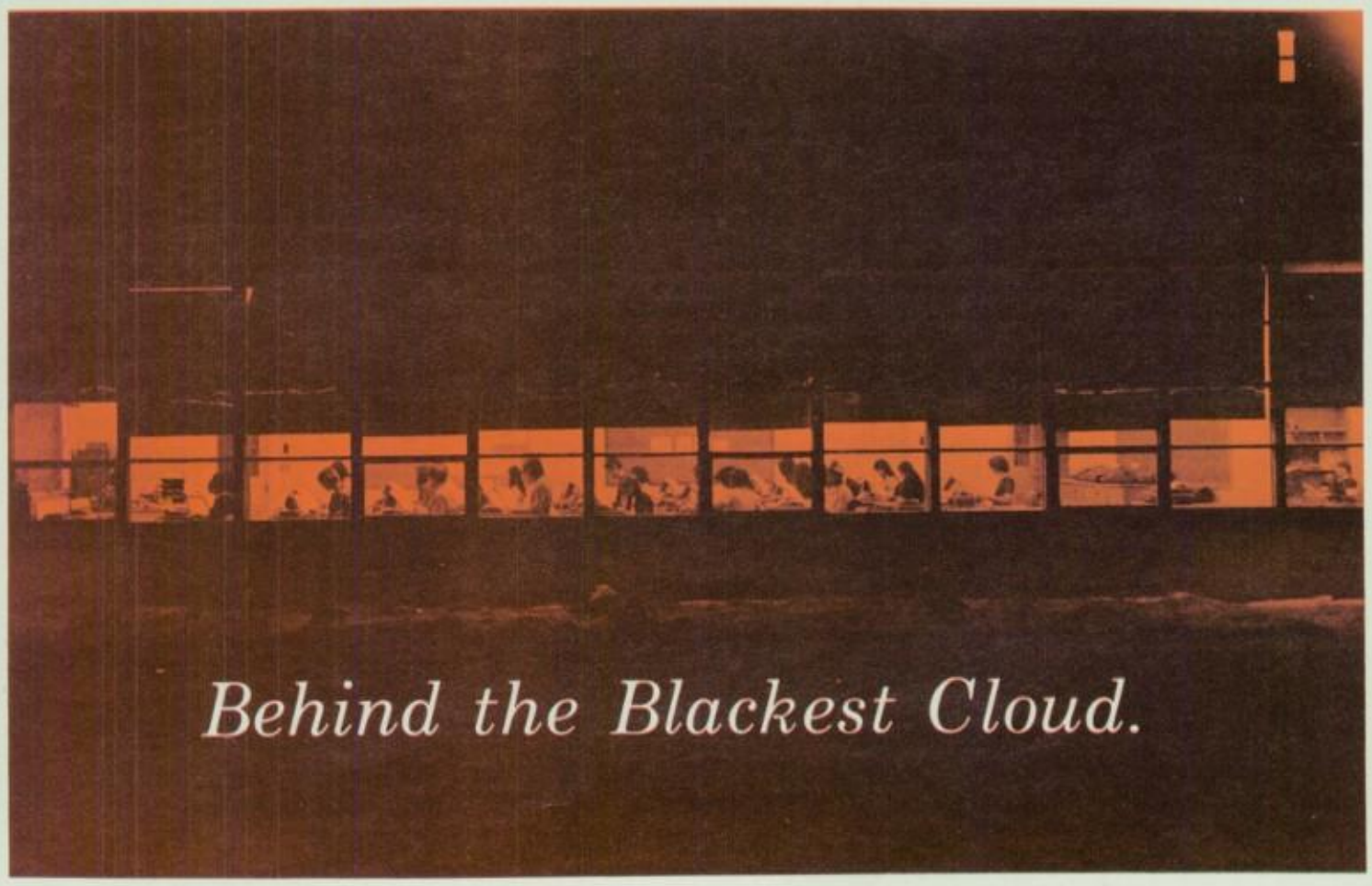
West shows spirit on dress-up days.

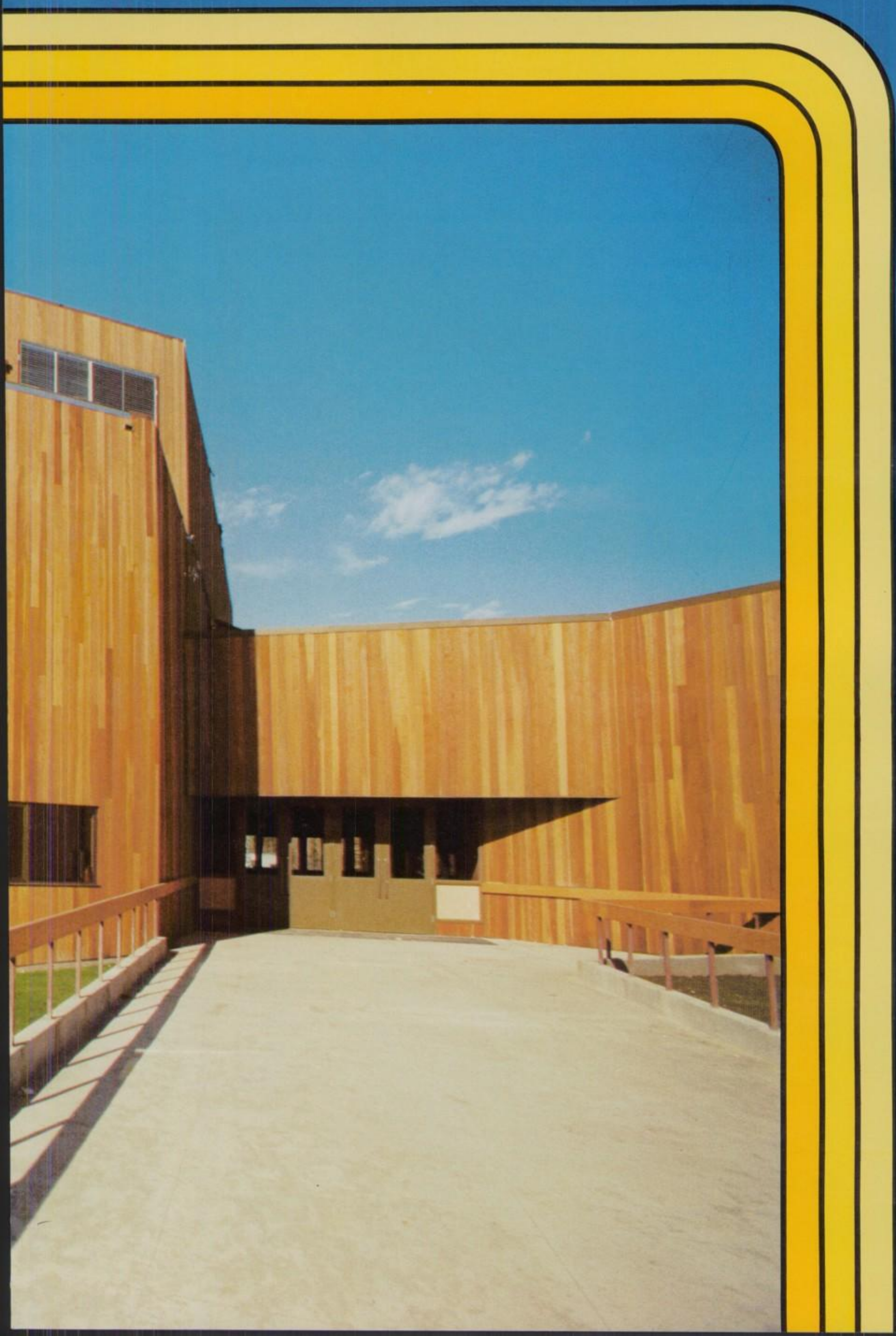
West Lathrop was a start. For the first time the Fairbanks school system was forced to conform to the needs of the community. Thus, Austin E. Lathrop High School was split into two schools but housed in one building. Lathrop became East and West and students were designated to a school by location. Soon after the first year started a mild hostility flared up and an East High student became an "Eastie" and a snob while West students were definitely the best! By the second year at West High half the student body was again ripped away to be boarded in the Main building on Cushman Street where they became North Pole High.

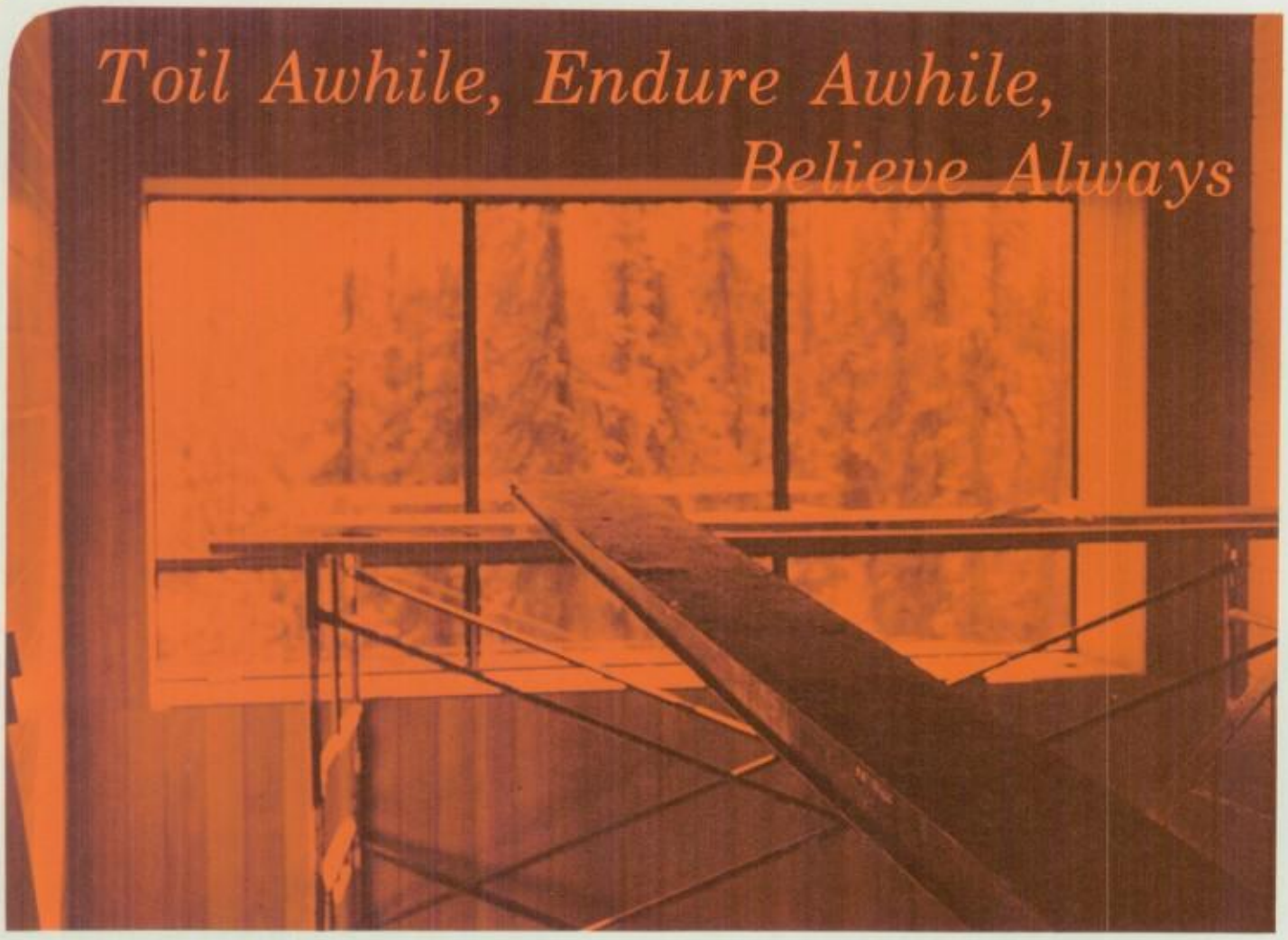
By and by West students came to love their school. North Pole was "okay" for they had once been West, but still felt a bit of contempt for East. The spirit of our great school was growing as was the population and West was becoming the school to go to.

West Lathrop then underwent a sudden change. After just two short years as West Lathrop we were to become West Valley. There were many that hated this name and even the '76 grads demanded West Lathrop on their diplomas. The Juniors fought it out for West Lathrop on their rings but to no avail; West Valley was the name and West Valley was to be implanted on the band. Throughout time the name became more acceptable and we became known as West Valley High, home of the West Valley Wolfpack and would be for many years to come.

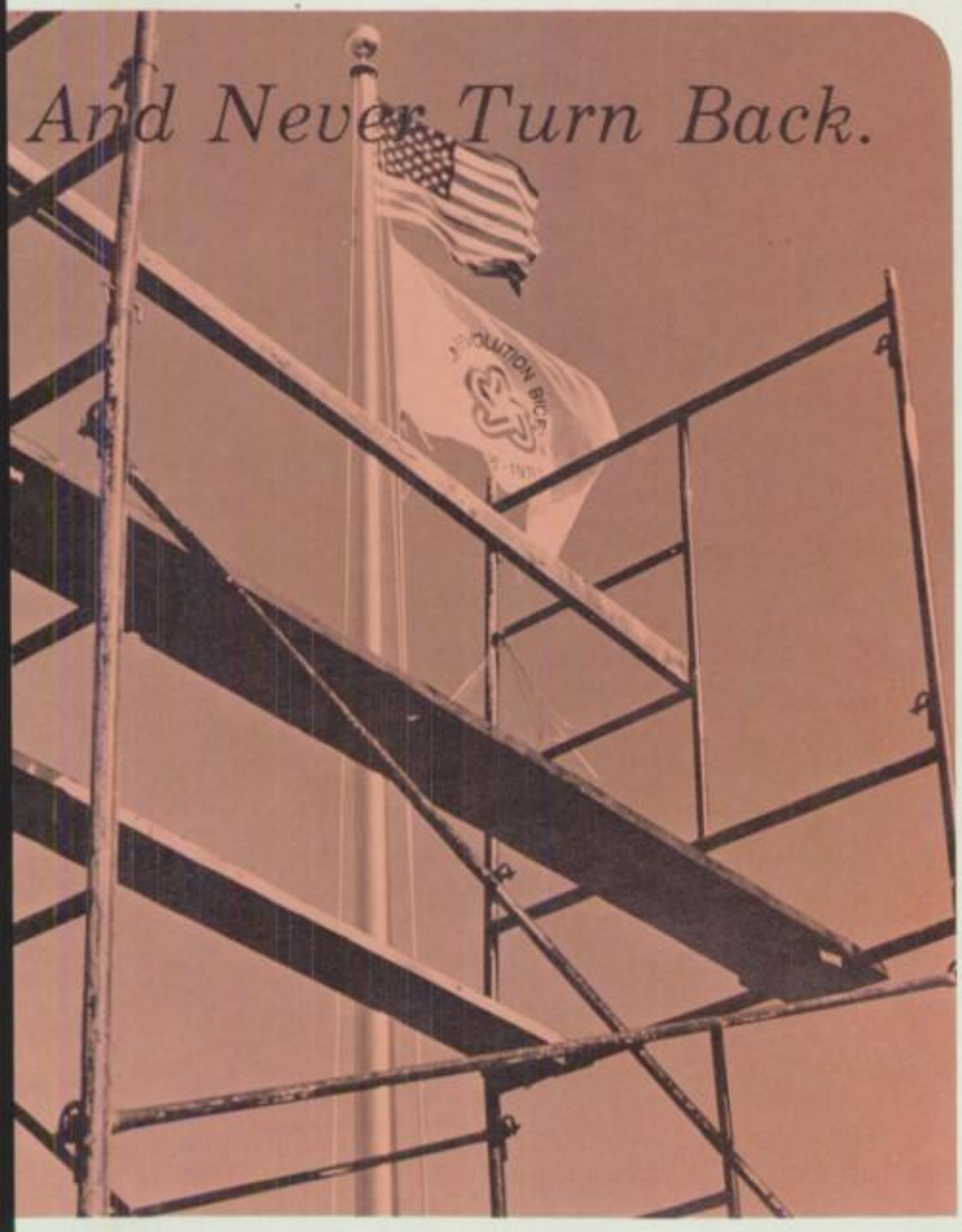
Going to school at night can be a bummer!





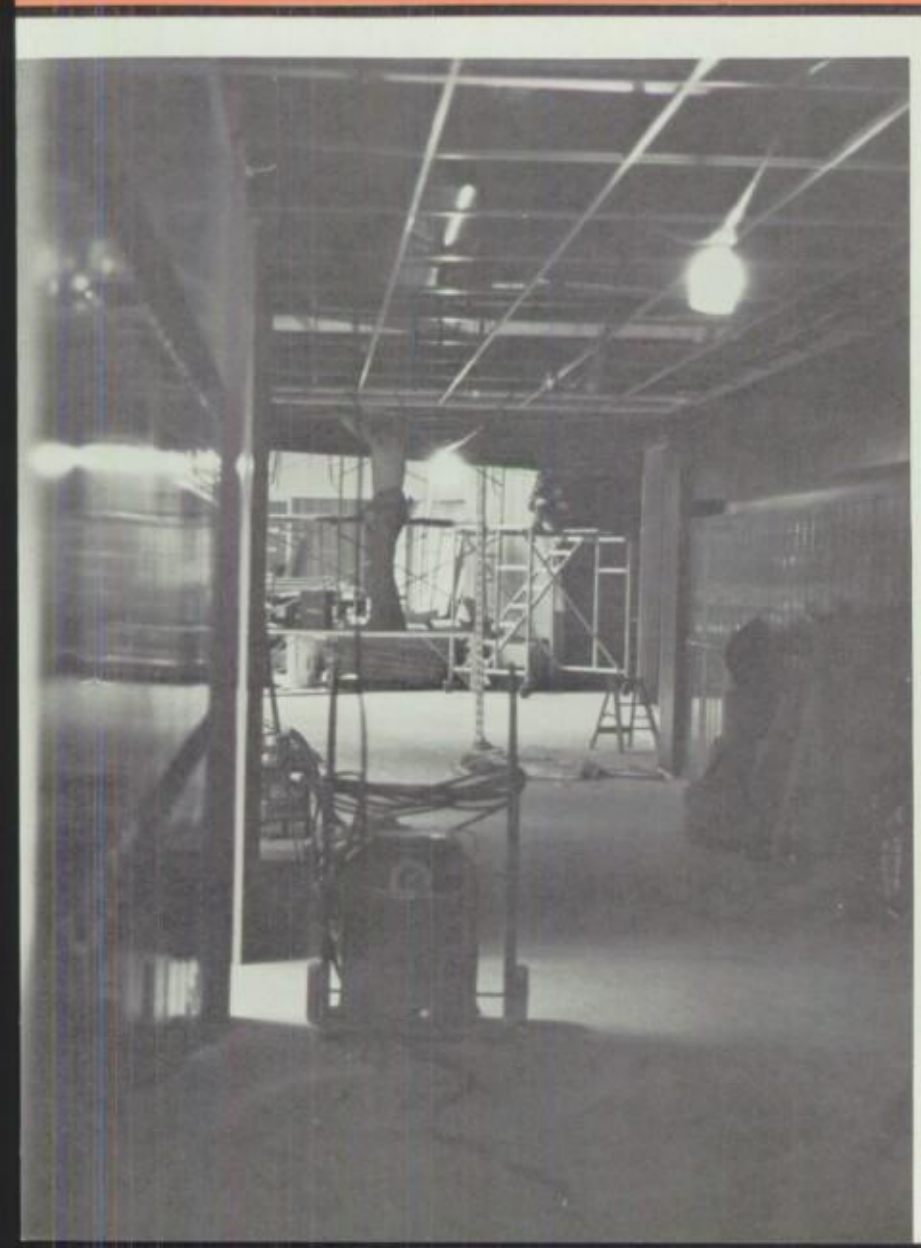

Toil Awhile, Endure Awhile,
Believe Always

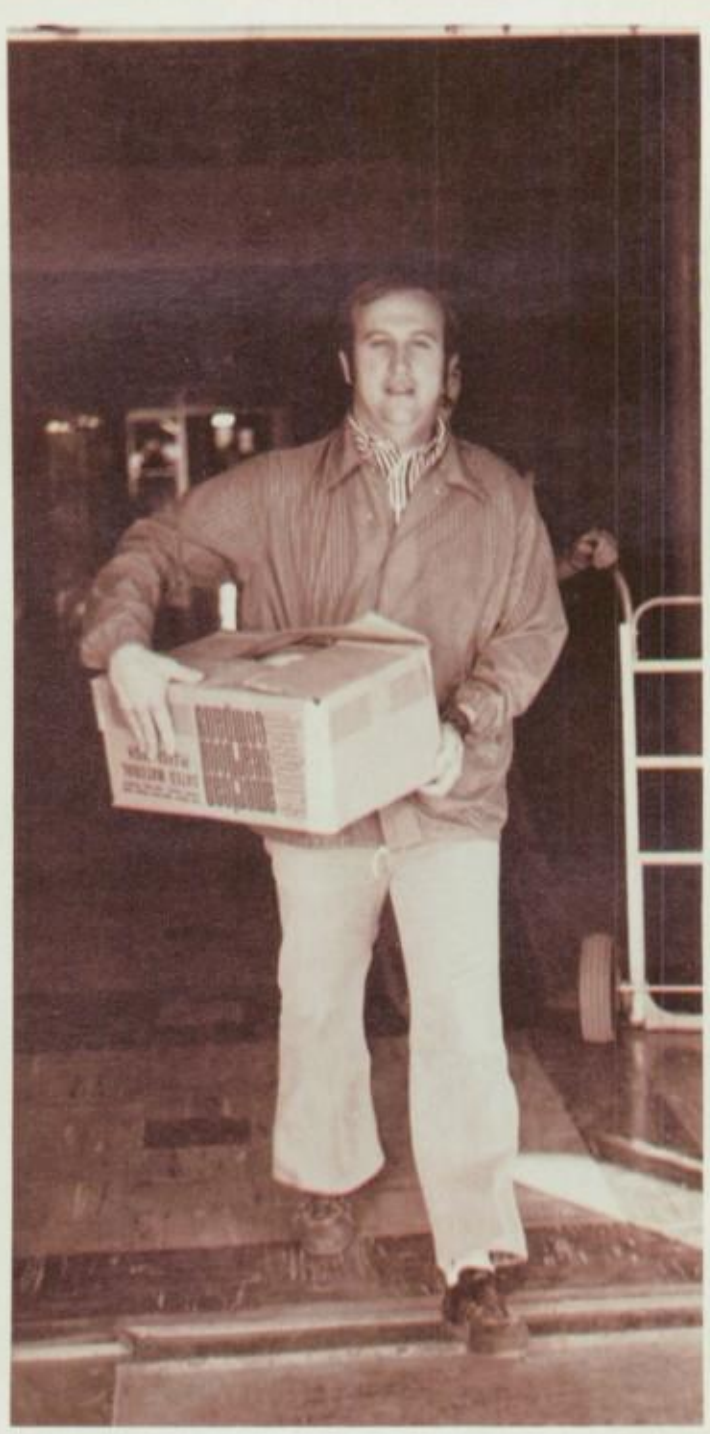
And Never Turn Back.



With numerous boxes under their arms THEY entered. The teachers and faculty were all anxious to get settled. Leading the procession was a doubly hurried, doubly excited principal, Don Klepper. The students were also anxious about attending a new school.

Construction problems delayed the opening of the school for two weeks, but when the doors to the wooden marvel were opened they beconed to many anxious students and staff members. With the infiltration of bodies came the never ending supply of students and lack of space. Many were left classless and had to sit in a newly painted cafeteria for days waiting for rescheduling. By the second week things had settled down and school and people got down to business.





Isn't it strange that
princes and kings,

And clowns that caper in
sawdust rings,

And common people like
you and me

Are builders for eternity.

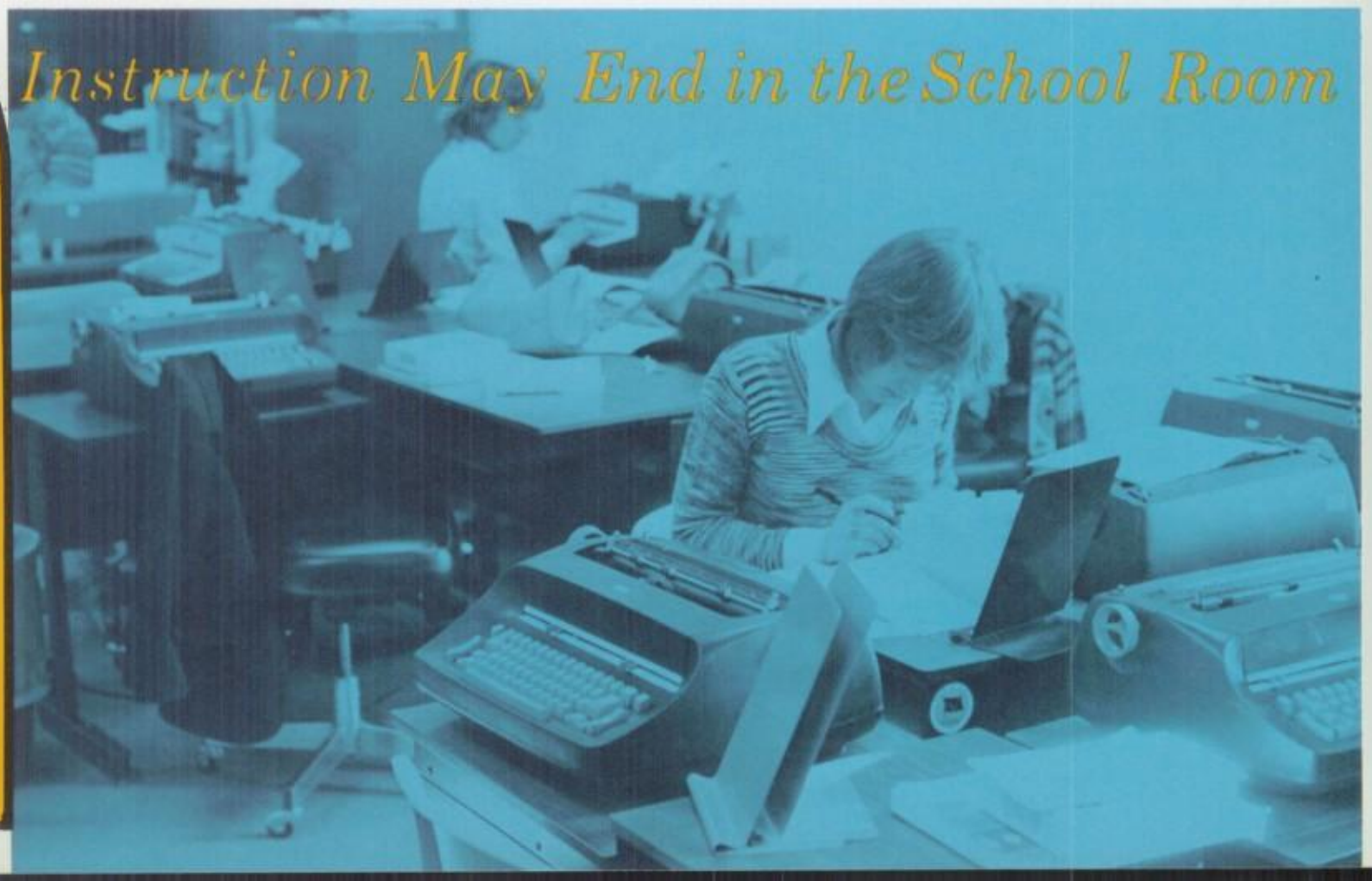
Each is given a bag of
tools,

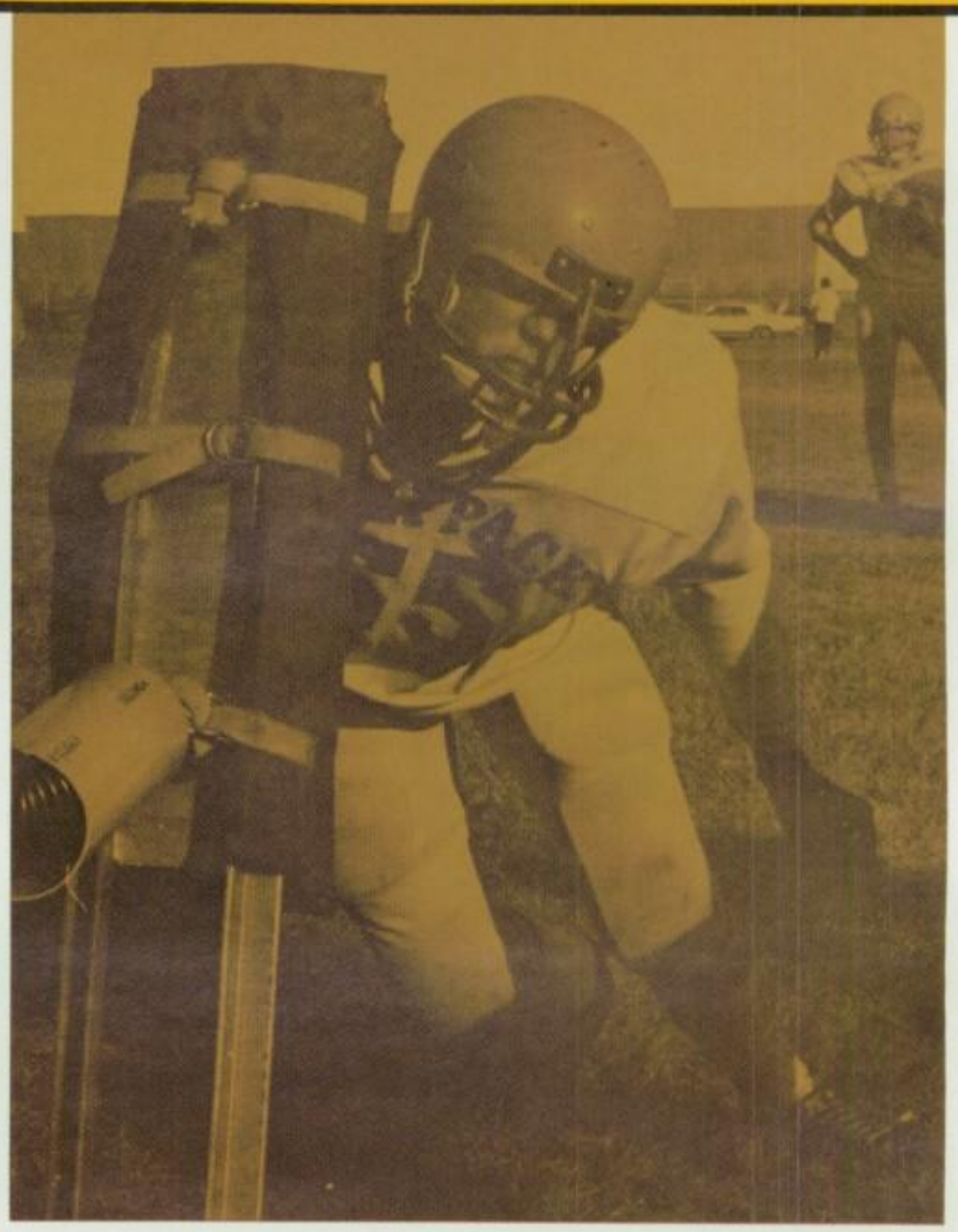
A shapeless mass, a book
of rules,

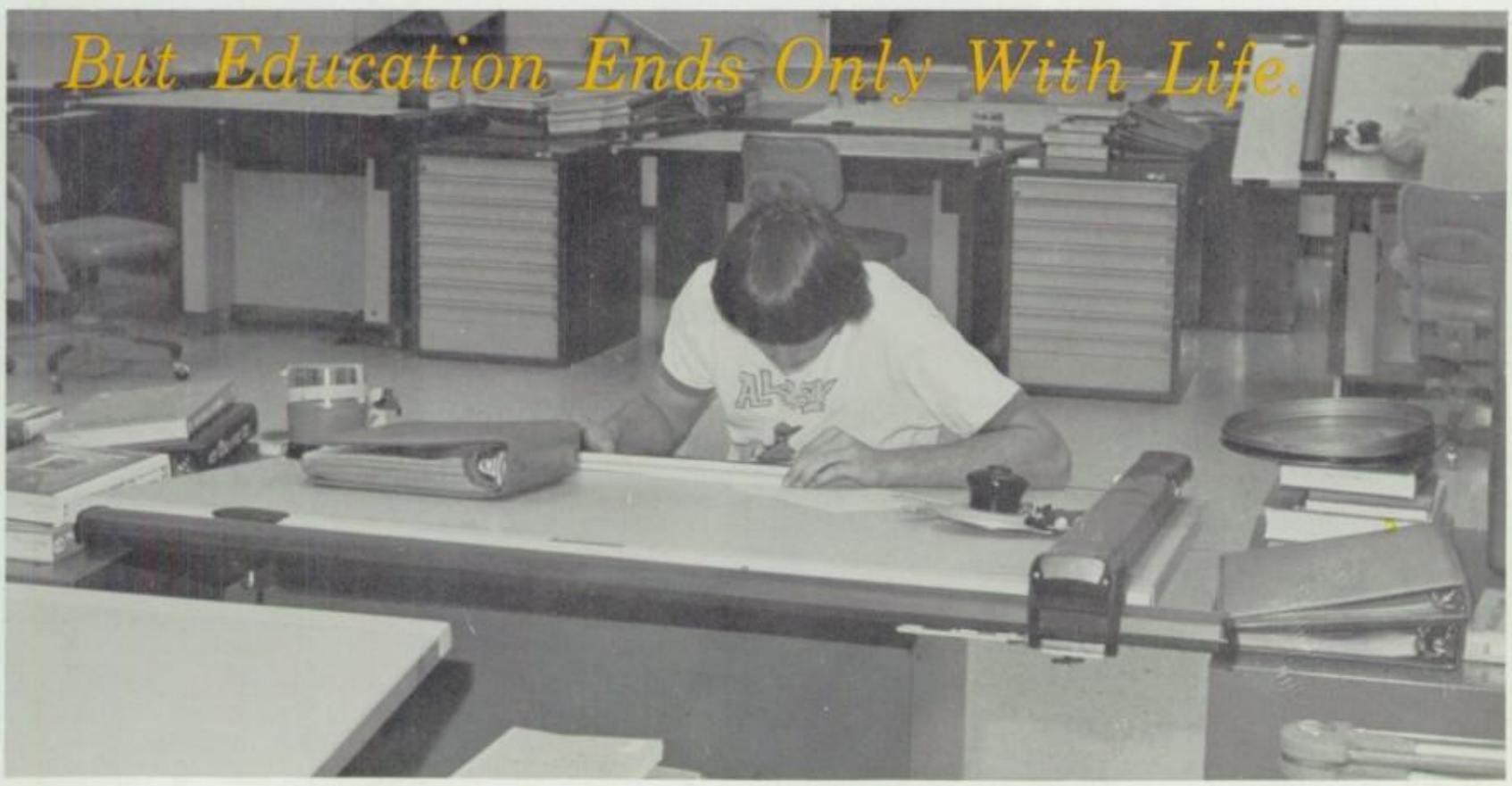
And each must build ere
life is flown

A stumbling block or a
stepping stone.

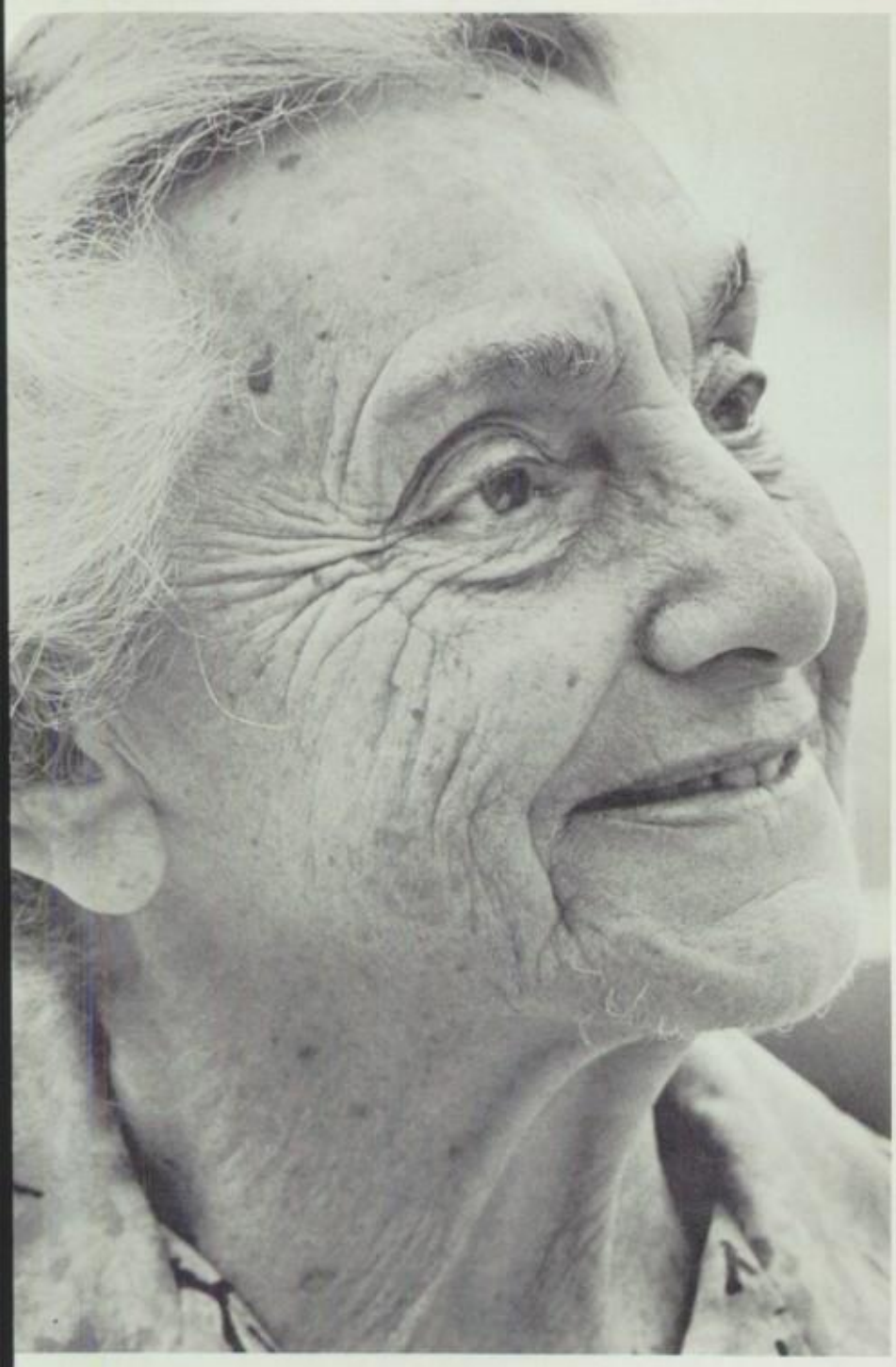
Instruction May End in the School Room






But Education Ends Only With Life.

A True Friend Is Forever a Friend.



The building of friendships is a necessary part of everyone's life. Without these favorite few the dole-drums and utter anxieties hit and everything seems lost.

Throughout our high school years it is obvious that friendships are formed. These special people are almost constant companions made through amusements as well as study.

Our lives are molded by our surroundings and environment. The foundation and base of West Valley not only stems from the concrete block beneath us but also from the cemented friendships we have made through out our school years.

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Our Dreams.

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Brad - I've enjoyed having you in Western Civ III this year. You're a good student and I've enjoyed talking to you (& writing passes for you) Have a good summer + good luck next year

Mrs. Copeland

Sure wish I could convince you to like Social Studies!!

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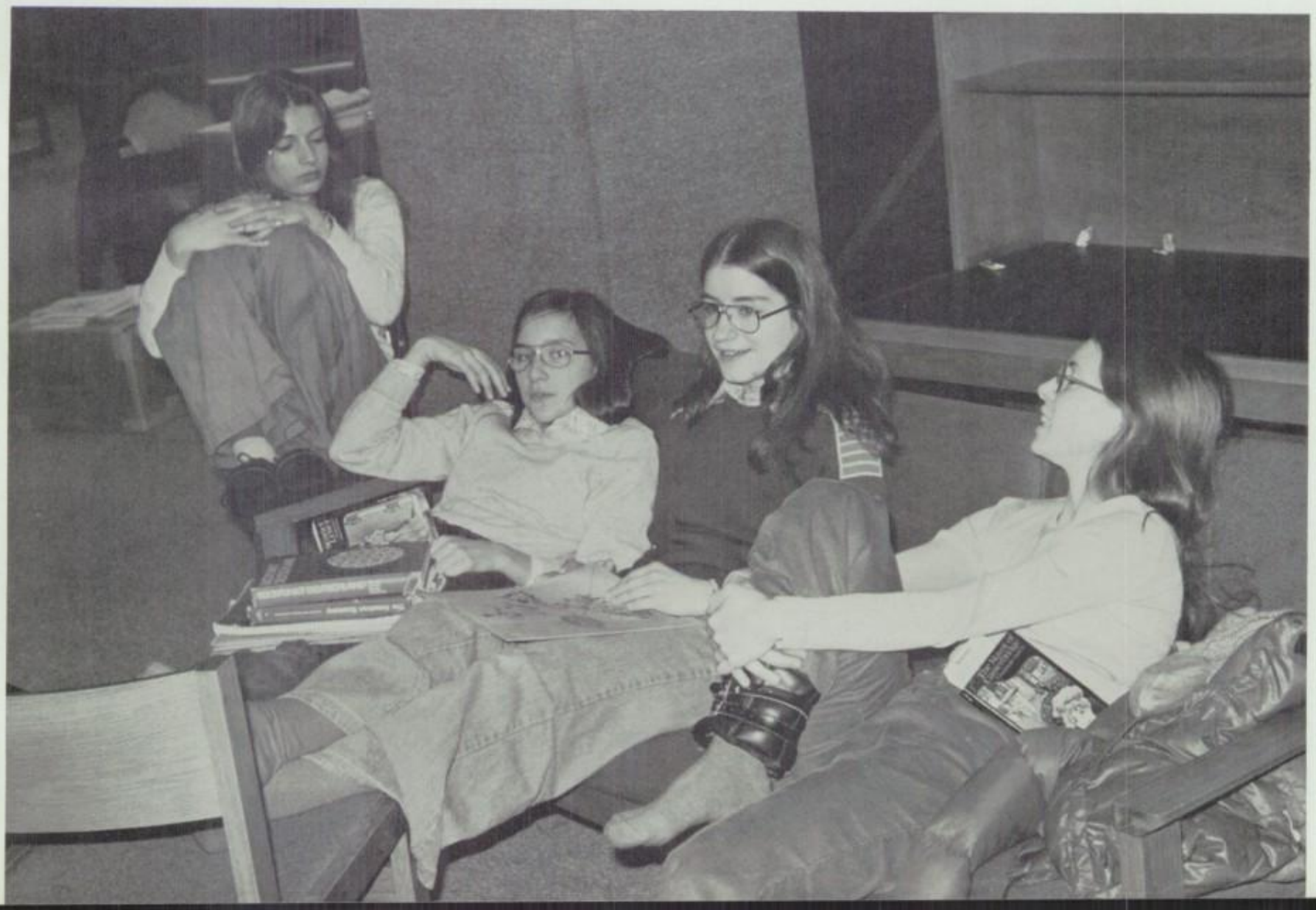


SUPER

SENIORS

KATHY ALLEN - Alaska, La' Chiam-10
BECKY ANDERSON - Alaska, Pep Cl.-9,10; Mat Maid-11
MIKE ARMSTRONG - Oklahoma, B. ball-9,10,11,12; Pep Cl.-9; Football-11

The 1976-77 Seniors and

LEE ANN ASHTON - Idaho, Choir-9,10,11,12; Drama-11; Mixed Glee-11; Spirit Freak-12; Thespians-12
PENNY BALLARD
CATHY BANFILL - Oregon, Rifle Team-9,10; Stu. Rep.-10; Yrbk.-11,12; Hockey Mgr.-11,12

LOUIS BARANELLO
DANIEL BARKER
ERIKA BENSON - Wisconsin, Int'l Cl.-11

JOHN BERGAMASCHI
MARK BERRY - California Art Cl.-11,12; N.H.S.-11,12
SCOTT BIDWELL - Montana, Wrestling-9,11

KENNETH BLACKMON
BILL BONNER - Alaska,
Archery-9; Rifle-9
RICHARD BOWELL (Rick)
-California

Their Place of Birth

PATRICIA A. BRADLEY-Missouri B.ball-9; Chamber Orch-9,10,11,12; French Cl.-9,10,11; Int'l. Cl.-10,11; Paystreak-11; N.H.S.-11, 12; JCL-12

DOUG BRATTEN - Minnesota, Rifle-10, Pistol-10

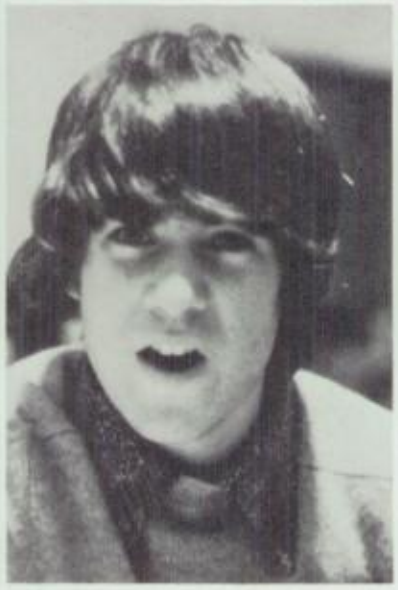
ANNA BROOKS - New Jersey, Ryan Rugrat-9; Rifle-10; Soph. Cl. Sec. -10; Yrbk.-11; Sr. Cl. Treas-12

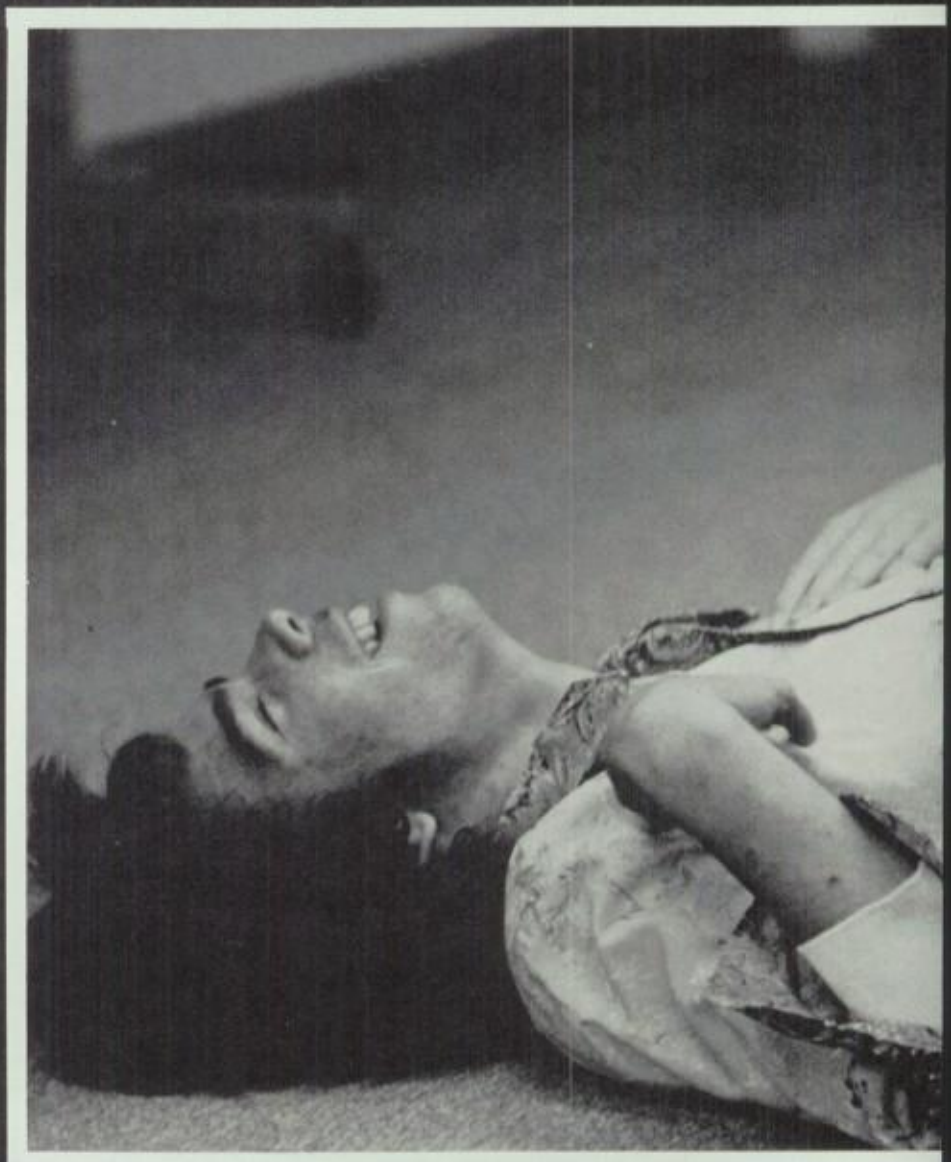
BEV BROOKS - South Carolina, Pep Cl.-10, 11; Matmaid-12; Spirit Fr.-12

ALAN BROWN - Washington, Concert Band-9,10, 11,12

SUI LEN BROWN

JOHN BURNS



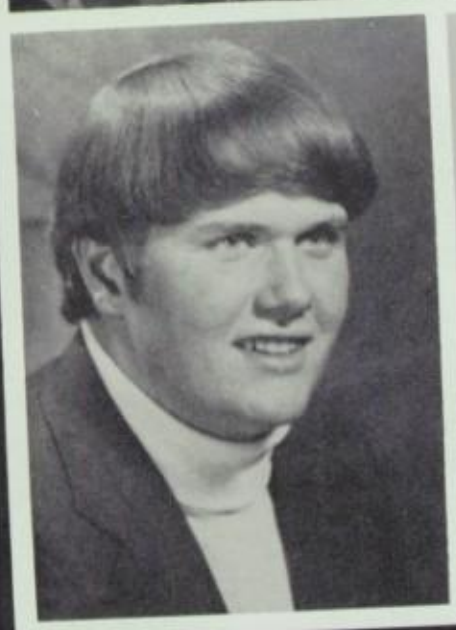


LORI CAMPBELL - Colorado

LORI CARTLEDGE - Alaska, Rifle-10,11,12; St.Cncl.-10,11,12; AFS Ex. Student-11; Intl. Cl.-10; Yrbk.-12
JUDY CHILDRESS - Oregon

SCOTT COLLEDGE
FLORENCE COLLINS - Alaska, Chem. Cl.-12; Bio.Cl.-12
JULIE COLLINS - Alaska, Bio. Clm-12; Chem.Cl.-12

KAREN FAYE COSTON - Pennsylvania, Pep Cl.-9,10,11; For.Lang.Cl.-9,11; German Cl.-9,12; Med. Expl.-9,10,11; St. Cncl.-9,10; Choir-10,11,12; Int'l Cl.-10,11; Debate-10,11,12; Hockey Chldr.-11,12; Blizz.-12; Spr.Freaks-12
ERIC COTTING - Alaska, For.Lang. Cl.-10,11; NHS-11,12; Science Cl.-12



BOB COWGILL - Alaska, Civil Air Patrol-9,10,11,12; For.Lang.Cl,-12; Yrbk.-12
MARK RICHARD COWLES - Missippi, Small Eng. Cl.-12

REGINA CRONK
(BUSTER) DONALD D. CULVER Kansas, Baseball-9,10; Football-9; 10,11,12; Wrestling-11
JIM DALLEY - Finland Ski Team-9,10,11,12; X-Country-10,12

ANNETTA DAVIS - New Jersey, Mat Maid-9,10; Majorettes-9,10; Pep Cl. -10; Bowling Team-10; Tennis Team-10; German Cl.-11,12; Int'l Cl.-11; Rifle Team-12
DEBORAH GAIL DAVIS Virginia
ERZSI DE'AK - California, Stu. Coun.-9,10,11; Theatre Guild-9; Volleyball-10; Int'l Cl.-10,12; Yrbk.-11,12; Bliz.-11, 12; N.H.S.-11,12

STEPHEN DE'AK
KATHLEEN DeLANY - Alaska Cheerleader-9; Stu. Coun.-9
DEBRA ANN DESROCHER Conneticut, Pep Cl.-9, 11,12; Choir-9,11,12; Band-9,11,12; Cheerleader-11,12

BRIAN DESROCHERS - Conneticut
ANN LOUISE DeVRIES Alaska, Cheerleading-9, 10; N.H.S.-11,12; Yrbk.-11,12; Choir-11, 12; Quill and Scroll-11, 12; X-Country-11,12; Basketball-11,12; Volleyball-12
F. DISTAD

KELLY DREW - Nebraska
ELIZABETH KIM DUGDALE Alaska, Stu. Coun.-9; Drama-9,10; Gymnastics-10; A.F.S.-10,11; Debate-11; Science Cl.-11; For. Lang. Cl.-11

TAMMI DUKEMAN - New York, Choir-9,10; Pep Cl.-9; French Cl.-10; Blizz.-11,12
SHERRY DUNCAN - Oregon, Drama-9,10; Spr. Freaks-12
CARMEN DYKEMA - Michigan

CELESTE MARIE ENGLES - Alaska

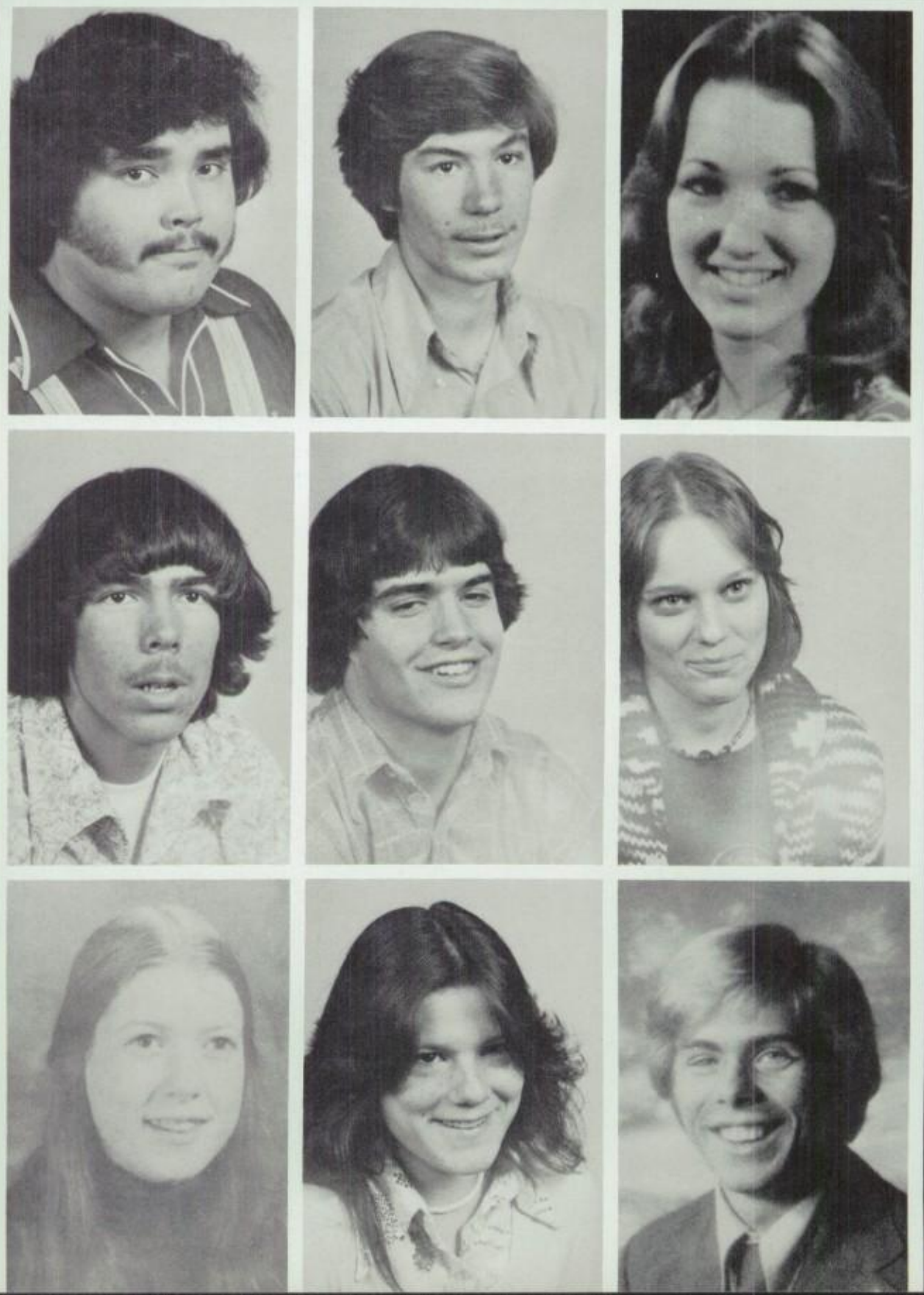
GULAY ERBIL - Turkey, Stu. Coun.-9,11; Volleyball-12; Thespians-12; Spr. Freaks-12

ROGER EVANS - California
PORCIA DU FENTON - Hawaii, B.Ball-9,11; Table Tennis-9,10; Stu. Coun.-10,12; B.Ball Mgr.-10,12; Debate-10,12; Latin Cl.-11,12; Volleyball-12
DEBBY ANNE FICKUS - Alaska, Choir-10,11; Madrigals-10; Proj. Now-10,11; Stu. Coun.-11

JIM FICKUS - Alaska
DAVID H. FISHBACK - California, X-Country-9,10,11; Ski Team-9,10; Choir-10,11
ALLISON RENEE FOLTZ - Alabama, Track-9; Choir-9,10,11,12; Stu. Coun.-9,11,12; Drama-9,10; Latin Cl.-10; Gymnastics-11; A.F.S.-11; Key Cl.-11,12; N.H.S.-11,12; Volleyball-11,12; Yrbk.-12

JOHN CHARLES GARVEY - California, B.Ball-9,10,11,12; Football-9,12; Baseball-9, Track-9,10,11,12; X-Country-10,11,12; Stu. Coun.-11
RUDY "WHITE SHOES" GAVORA - Alaska, Football-9,10,11,12; B.Ball 9,12; Choir-11,12
JULIA GERDES

SUSAN GIBSON - Alaska, Span. Cl.-9; Thesp.-10,12; V.Ball-10,11; Stu. Coun.-11,12
TANYA GILBERT
LANCE RAY GILMER - Puerto Rico, Waterpolo-9,10; Swim Team-9,10; Rifle Team-11,12; Stu. Coun.-12; Choir-12; Spr. Freaks-12



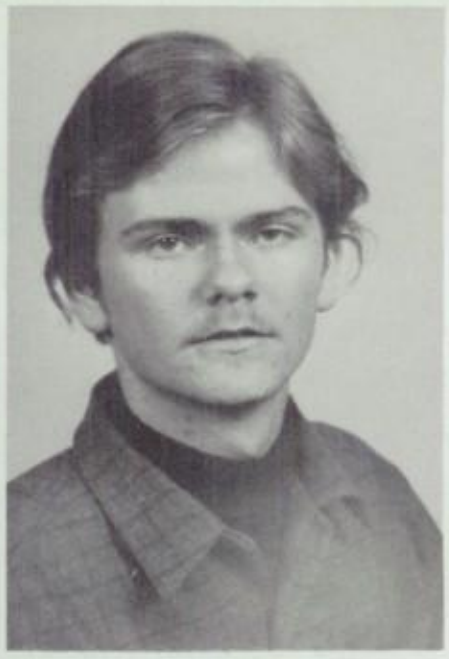
BRIAN GRAY - Alaska, Rifle Team-9; Band-9,10, 11,12
MELODY GRAY - California, Spr. Freaks-12; Thesp.-12
ARLENE L. GRIFE - Alaska, Pep Cl.-11; Spr. Freaks

ROBERT GRIFFIN
FRITZ GUENTHER - Michigan, Swim Team-9; F.-Ball-11
LINDI HAMILTON - Utah, Ski Team-9; Choir-10, 11,12; Stu. Coun.-11

RICK HAND - California, Athletic Cl.-10; Baseball -10,11
KATHY DIANE HASKINS - Missouri, Choir-9,10
LINDA PEARL HEATH - Alaska, Thesp.-9

JOAN HEIDEL - Alaska, Journ.-9; Badmitton-10; Ger.Cl.-10; Stu. Coun.-10; Int'l Cl.-10,11; Debate-11,12; N.H.S.-11, 12
TAMMY HENDRIX - Alaska, Drama-9,12; Ger. Cl. -10,11; Int'l Cl.-10,11, 12; A.F.S.-10
DAVID HERRING

GIL STEVEN HICKS - Texas, Stu. Coun.-9; B. Ball-9,10,11; Rifle Team-9,10,11; R.O.T.C.-9,10
JAMES HISAMOTO
GREG HOLLAUS - Canada



JULIE "SQUIRT" HOWELL - Indiana, Stu. Coun.-9, 10; Pep Cl.-9,10,11; Span. Cl.-9,10; Cheerleader-10,11,12; Spr. Freaks-12
ANNETTE HUNTSMAN - Arizona
TERRY HURD

HEIDI M. JOHNSON - California, Orch.-9,10; V.Ball-9,10; Stu. Coun.-10,11; Latin Cl.-10
ROBERT KLEMKE
JOHN KLEVINS - Alaska, Badminton-9,10,11,12

SONJA MARIA KREJCI - Austria, Latin Cl.-9; Int'l Cl.-9,10; Ger. Cl.-11,12; Science Cl.-12
LEO LEMON - California, Thesp.-11,12; Track-12; X-Country-9,12; Baseball-9

DAVID LINDEMANN
HOMER LORD - Alaska, Wrestling-9,10,11,12; Drama-9; Yrbk.-9,12; Weightlifting-9,10,11; Art Cl.-10,11; F.Ball-11,12; Track-11,12
PAULA LOTSPEICH - Texas, B.Ball-9,10,11,12; V.Ball-9; X-Country-10,11,12; N.H.S.-11,12

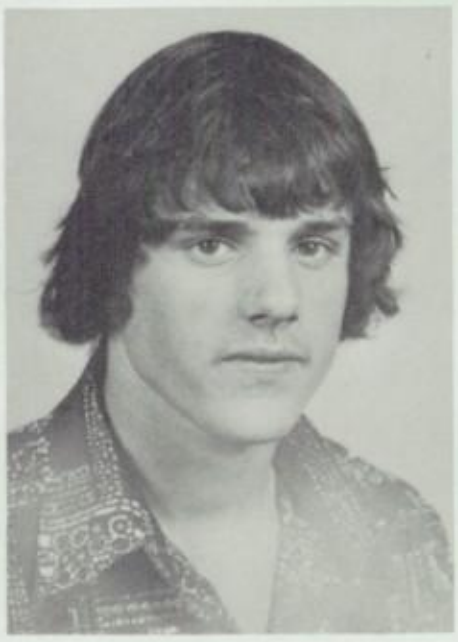
DENNIS MANNING
KEVIN E. MARRS - Kansas, F.Ball-9,10,11,12; Bio. Cl.-10; Track-11,12; Rifle Team-12; French Cl.-12
GLORIA J. MARTIN - Pennsylvania, Stu. Coun.-11; Choir-11,12; Pep Cl.-11; Spr. Freaks-12

AMIE MARTZ - Alaska
HERB MASCHNER - Washington, Drama-9,12; Choir-9,10,11,12; Soccer-9; Ski Team-11
DAVID MATTICE - Wisconsin

SHARON MARIE McCONNELL - Alaska, JCL-9, Sec., 10, Pres., 11; Project NOW-9,10, 11; Choir-10; Adv. Comm.-11; Yrbk.-11

DON McCUMBY - Canada, Football-10,11-All Conference, 12

TAMMY FOREST McDONALD - Alaska,

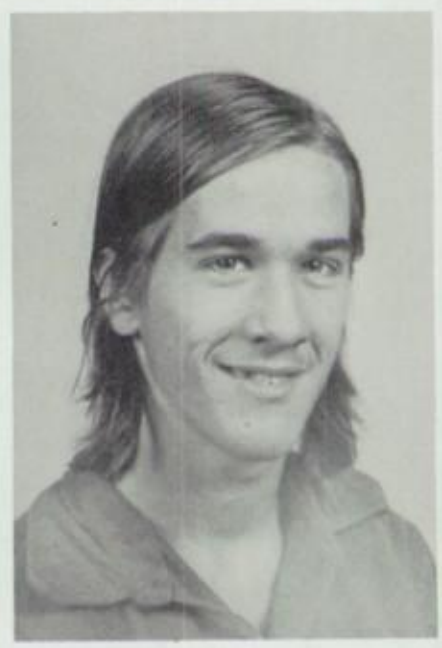


BRUCE "LEE" R. MERRITT - Alaska, Wrestling-9,10,11,12; St.Cncl.-9,10

SCOTT MIDDLETON - Connecticutt, Martial Arts -10

DOROTHY RENEE MILES - Washington, Gymnastics -9; Pep Cl.-9,10,11, 12; Cheerleader-9,10, 11,12; St.Cncl.-9,10; Badminton-9; Track-11; Spirit Freak-12

RUSSELL C. MITCHELL - Alaska, Snowflake Chaser



DeANNE "DEE" MOE - North Dakota

KATHRYN MURAKAMI
LEONARD M. NEIDHOLD - Alaska, Band-9,10,11,12; Stage Band-9,10,11,12; Pep Band-9,10,11,12

DALE NETTLES - Georgia, Baseball-9,10,11,12; Football-9,11; Rifle-12
DENNIS LYNN OLSON
DARLA JEAN OWEN - Washington, Concert Choir -9,10; Pep Cl.-9; Volleyball-11

RON OWEN - New Mexico
JAMES K. PAPP - Alaska, Hockey-9,10,11,12; Cncrt. Band-9; Int'l Cl.-10,11,12
ERIC CACY PATTON - Alaska, Hockey-9,10,11,12; Concert Band-9,10,11,12; Key Cl.-11,12

KAREN PERKOWSKI - Alaska, JCL-12
STACEY PHILLIPS
ERNESTO "JACK" PIZA- Arizona, Choir-9,10,11,12; St.Cncl.-9,10,12-Vice Pres.; Wrestling-9, Football-9,10,11,12; Judo-9,10,11,12; Minority Cl.-9; IronMen-9,10; Lettermans Cl.-9,10; Soccer-10; Gymnastics-11,12; Pep Cl.-11; Track-11,12; Spirit Freak-12

LORAN QUAKENBUSH - Alaska, Basketball-10, 11,12
GAYLE JEAN RADUE
VICKIE LYNN RAUK

FRED REICH - San Francisco (The City), Basketbl.-9,10; Ski Cl.-9; Ski Team-9
CHRIS ALLEN RESCH
LENARD RICHISON - California, Cncrt. Band-9,10,11,12; Choir-9; Stage Band-10,11,12

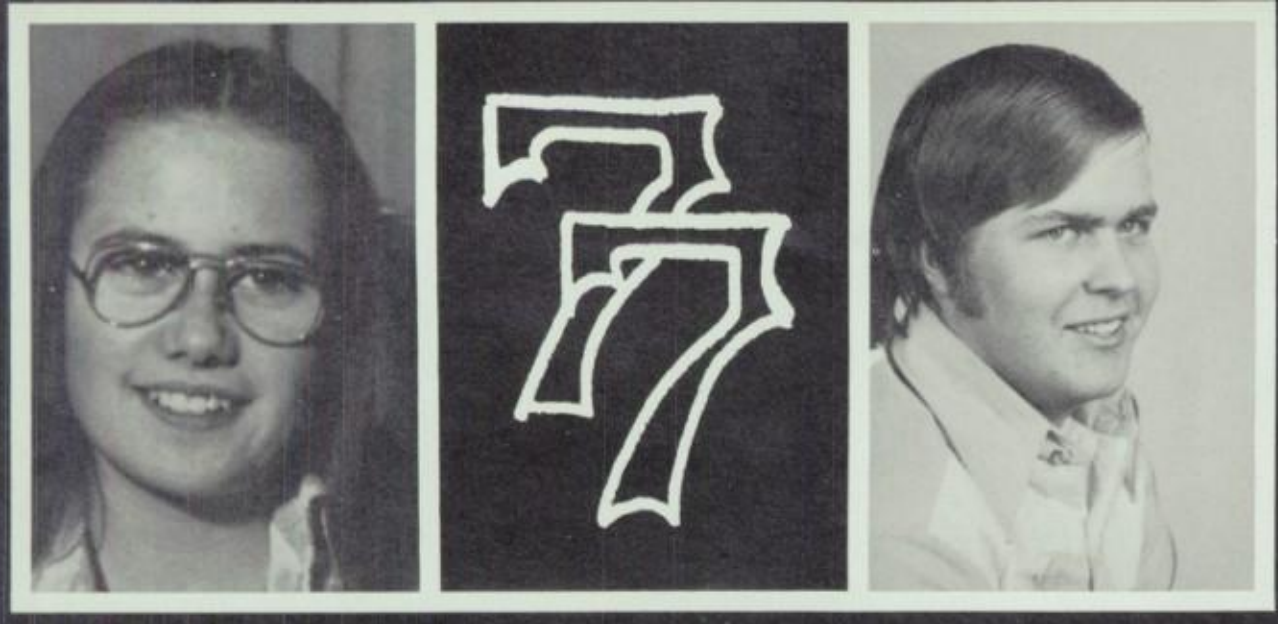
DEBBIE RIDDLE - Georgia, Chorus-9,10; Gymnastics-11
MARK ROMICK - Alaska, Swim-11
JOHN ROMMEL - Japan, Chess-9,10

HOWARD ROY - Washington
ROBERT SCHRUF - Alaska, Wrestling-9,11, 12; Key Cl.-12
JOHN DRAKE SELMER - Canada, Rifle-9,10,12; Key Cl.-10,11,12; Pistol-10,12

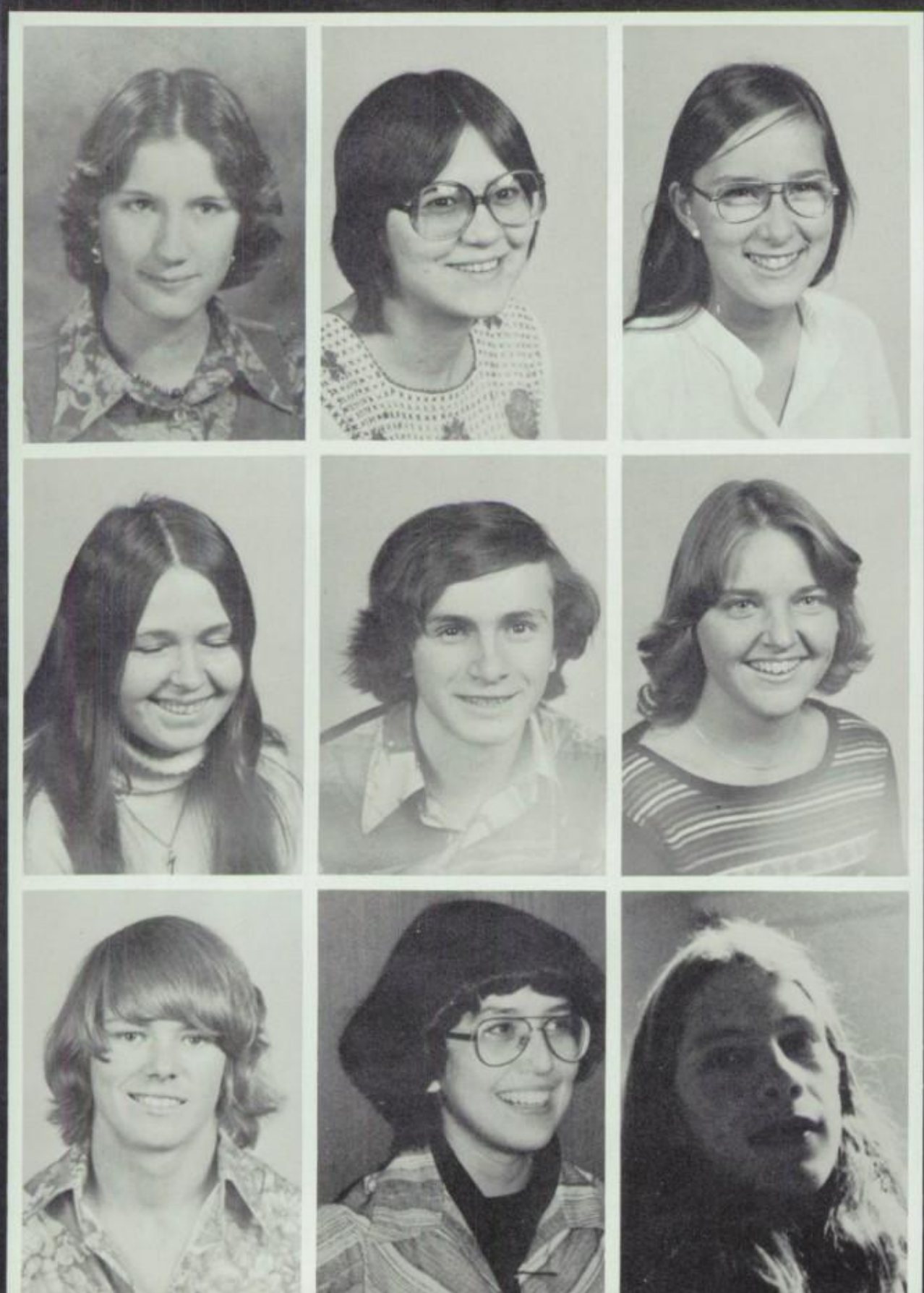
SCOTT SLAY
SYLVIA SLOTNICK -
Alaska, Latin-9; Int'l Cl.
-10,11; For. Lang.-12

KRISTI JUNE SMITH - Alaska, Blizzard-10; Track-11; Basketbl. Mgr. -11, Yrbk.-11,12-Editor; Vica Pres.-12, St. Cncl.-12
MONTGOMERY SMITH
ANDREW SOLLI - Connetticutt, Hockey-10,11

LEILANI R. SPELLECACY - Alaska, Rifle-11
ANDY SPENCER - Michigan
MELODY LYNN SPENCER - Alaska, Track-9; Choir-12



CHRISTIAN ESTRELLITA STRINGFELLOW - Montana Nailbenders-9; Drama-9; Int'l Cl.-12; Science-12
R. SWAIN



SHELLI TALVI - Alaska, Spanish Cl.-9,10; Pep Cl.-10,11; Yrbk-11,12; Advisory Brd.-11
SANDI TAYLOR - Alaska, Band-9,10,11; Pep Band -9,10; Basketball-9; Pep Cl.-9,10,11; Chorus-9,11; Cheerleader-10; Annual Ed.-11
MARY AVERILL THAYER - Alaska, Tramp.-9; Gymnastics-10; Med. Careers

YVONNE R. THOMAS - Washington
BILL THOMPSON - Montana, FFA-9; Chess Cl.-9; Rifle-11,12; Vica Cl.-11,12; Blizzard-12; Key Cl.-12
DEBBIE TYNER - Hawaii, Tennis-9; Cheerleader-9,10,11,12; Honor Soc.-9; Choir-9,10; PepCl.-9,10,11,12; Gymnastics-9,10; Latin Cl.-10; Journ.-11

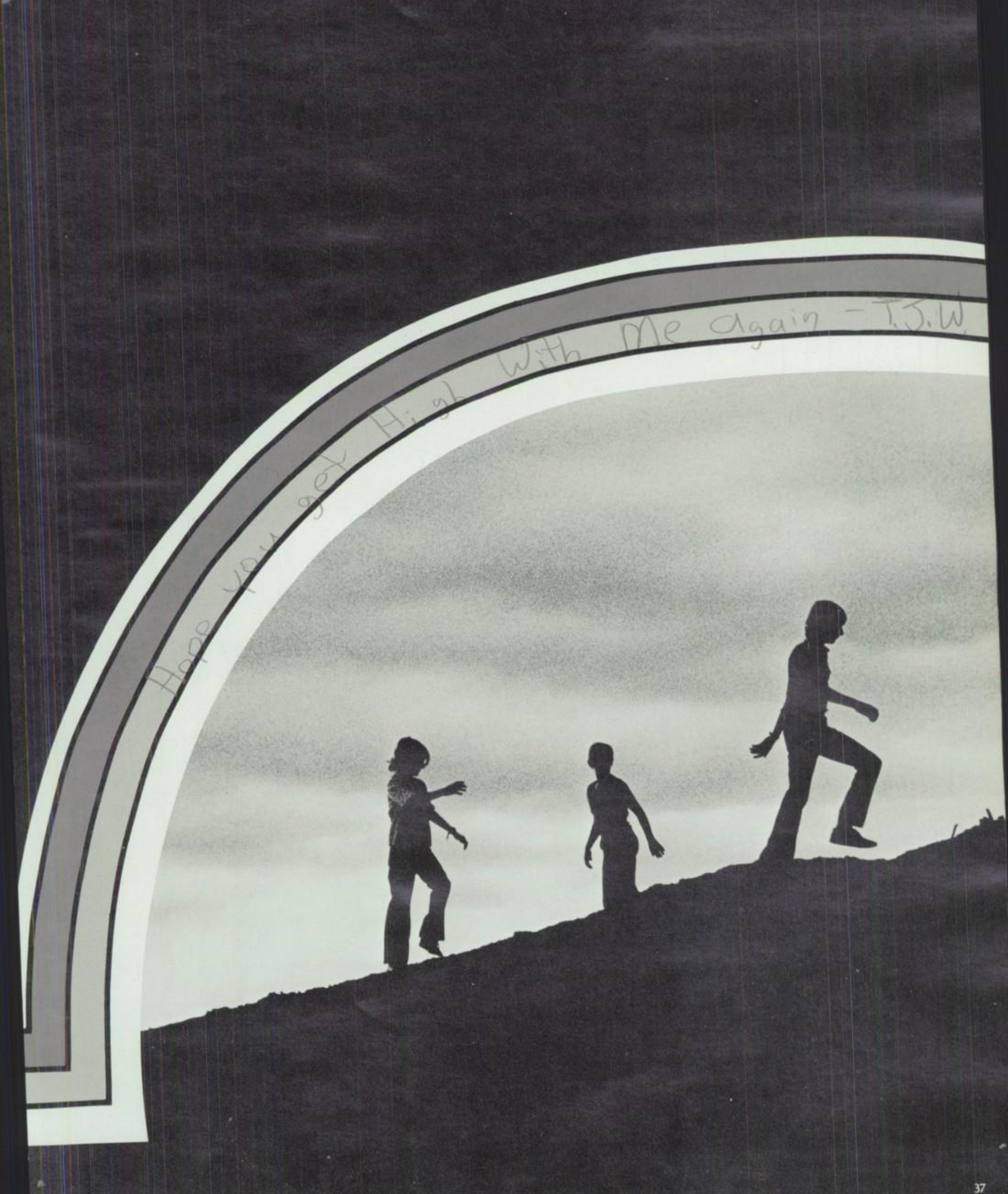
ERIC VENTERS - Idaho
M. THERESE VIATOR - California, Yrbk.-9,11,12; Majorette-9; Film Cl.-9; Int'l Cl.-10; St.Cncl.-10-Rep., 11-Sec., 12-Pres.; Volleyball-10,12; YCC-10; Debate-11,12; Blizzard-12, Basketbl. Mgr.-12
RODNEY VIERICK

JODY VIGNOLA - Massachusetts, St.Cncl.-9,10, 11-Sec.Treas.; Homecoming-10,11,12; Blizzard-12
PETER VOURNAS
TOM VREDEVELT - Washington, Spirit Frks.-12

CHERYL RUTH WALKER - Alaska, Chorus-9,11
KEITH WARREN - California, ClassPres.-9; Football-10
TAMMY LEE WOZNIAK - Indiana, St.Cncl.-9; Gymnastics-10

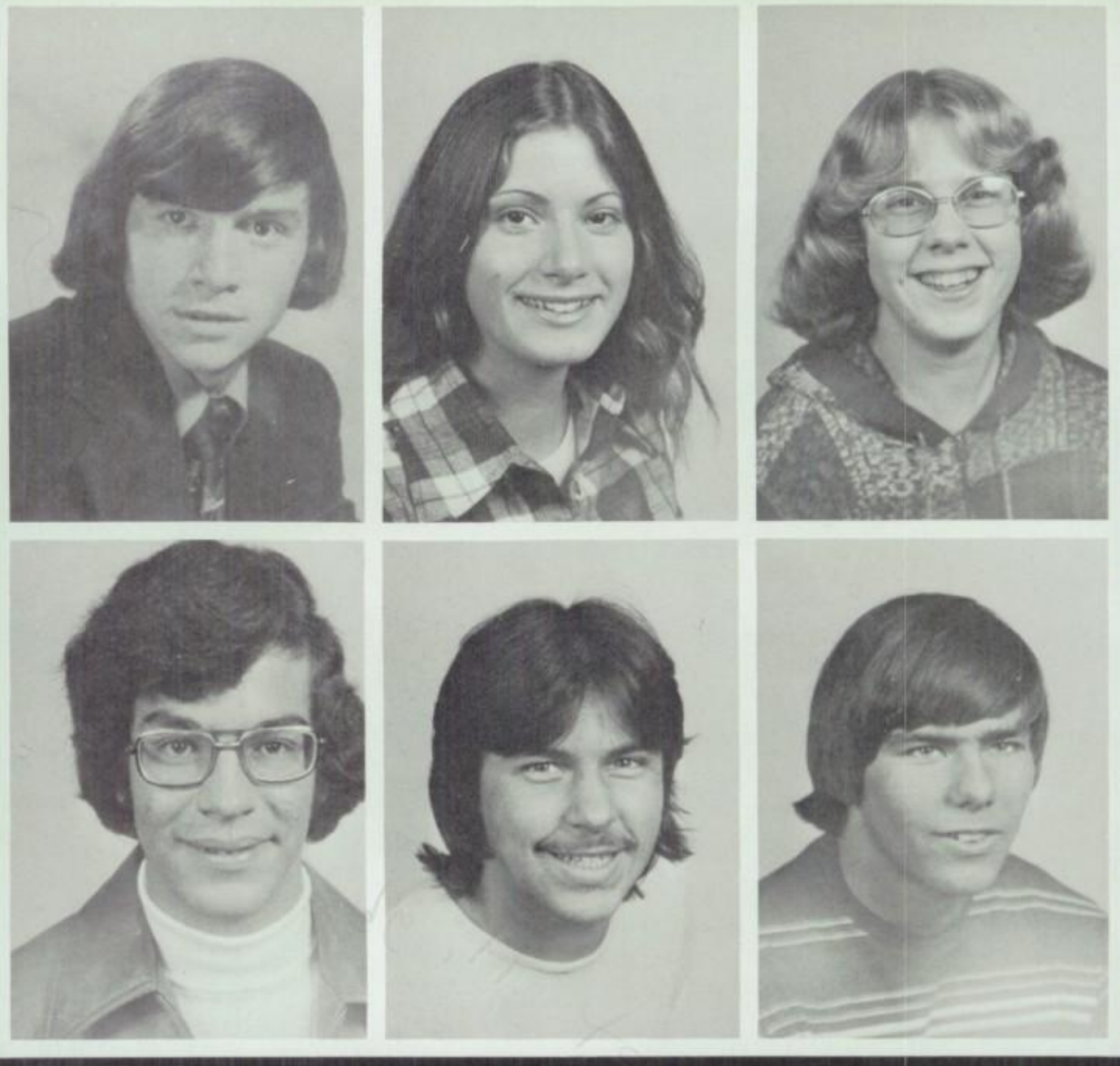
VALERIA J. WELTY - Alaska
ELIZABETH WHEELOCK - Maine, Glee-9; Choir-10,11
RON WHIPPLE - Washington

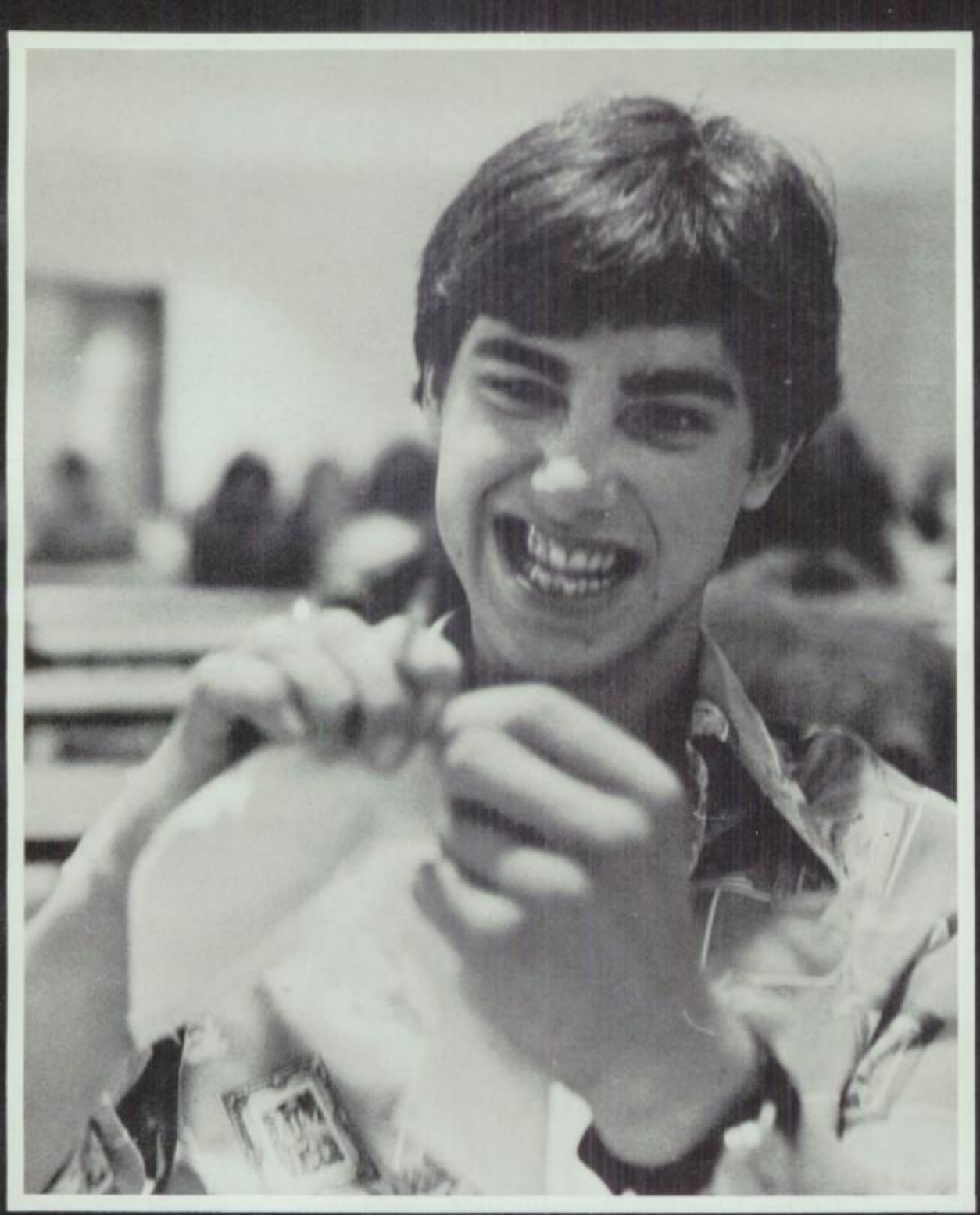
SUE WILLIAMS - Washington
BARRY WILSON - Oklahoma, Bskt. Bl.-9; Adv. Board-11, Blizzard-11, 12
CARL WILSON - Washington, Choir-9,10,11,12; Skiing-9,10,11,12


Hope you get High With Me again - T.J.W.

MICHAEL WINTERS - Alaska, Hockey-9,10, 11,12; St.Cncl.-12
KARIN WRIGHT - Pennsylvania, Lacross-9; Gymnastics-9; Track-9; Latin Cl.-10; Mgr. Chmber Orch.-11; Journalism-12
ELAINE YOUNG - Alaska, Rifle-9; JCL-10,11; YCC-11; Spirit Freaks-12

MICHAEL ZAHARE - Alaska, Chess-9; Basketbl.-10,11,12; C.C. Running-10,11; Concert Band-10,11,12; Stage Band-10; NHS-12, St. Cncl.-12
DELROY GENE CONRAD
DAVID KARDANOFF





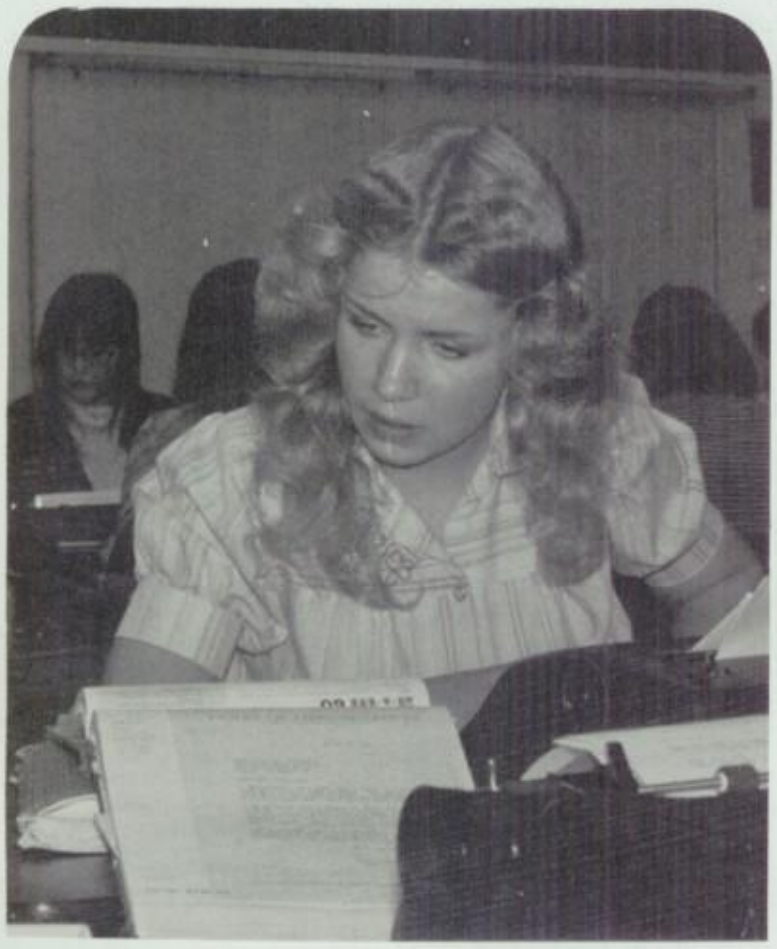
In the previous pages our 1976-77 Seniors have been pictured in our book along with their name, place of Birth and their High School activities, as is traditional. Since Alaska is unique in the fact that the people who have made their home here are from many places all over the world, we decided that this feature would be altogether interesting and entertaining. We don't look upon these people as foreigners"; we look upon them as people who have come together as a unit to give of themselves. Each of them is an individual with different ideas. Without each of these different personalities and traditions West Valley wouldn't be West Valley.

Awards

CATHY BANFILL-Queen of the R.O.T.C. Ball
PATRICIA BRADLEY-All State Honor Orch.-10,11,12
LORI CARTLEDGE-Who's Who Among Amer. H.S. Students
KAREN FAYE COSTON-Alaska Girl's State
DONALD D. CULVER-All Conference Football
ERZSI DE'AK-B.Y.D. Winner, Prom Queen-11
DEBRA DESROCHER-Sophomore Homecoming Princess
ANN DEVRIES-Most Outstanding Cheerleader-9; Basketball Queen-10; Junior Homecoming Princess, Most Improved Basketball-11; Homecoming Queen
ALLISON FOLTZ-Jr. Key Heart, All Northwest Choir-11
LINDI HAMILTON-Honor Choir-11,12; All Northwest Choir-12
JOHN GARVEY-Most Valuable Basketball-9, Most Inspirational Basketball-11; Prom King-11
RICK HAND-Most Valuable Baseball-10
JOAN HEIDEL-Alaska Girl's State
LEO LEMON-Alaska Boy's State
HERB MASCHNER-All Northwest Choir-12
DON MCCUMBY-All Conference Football-11,12; Homecoming Prince-11; Homecoming King
DOROTHY MILES-Royalty Queen-9; All Regional Cheerleader-11; Most Valuable Cheerleader-11
LEONARD NEIDHOLD-All State Honor Band-10,11,12; Mike Vax All-Star-11; Most Talented in the Arts-11; Louis Armstrong Jazz Award-11; Band Directors Award-11; MacDonald's All-American H.S. Marching Band-12
DRAKE SELMER-Lt. Gov. Boy's State-11
SANDI TAYLOR-Carnival Queen-11; Jr. Prom Queen
DEBBIE TYNER-NCA Cheerleader of Yr.-10; Most Improved Gymnastics
JODY VIGNOLA-Typing Pin-9; Principal's Award-9; Key Heart Queen-12
BARRY WILSON-Boy's State
MIKE ZAHARE-Alaska Boy's State

Seniors Not Pictured

John Almquist
Rodigo Arias
Kenneth Atwood
Don Avara
Doug Avara
Elizabeth Blackmon
Leroy Bluekens
David Borland
Paul Boutet
Crystal Bovee
Jeffery Brees
Tammy Brown
Kenneth Buggey
Marlia Cary
Tony Ciarochi
Allen Copsey
Steve Dally
Pamela Dawson
Stephen Dean
Dwight Deely
David Engfer
Timothy Fitzgerald
Aaron Foltz
Mark Fulmer
Cristina Gonzalez
Mary Goodman
James Gregory
Julie Gunnerson
Jolene Hibben
Lance Hiller
Leonard Hisamoto
Teresa Johnson
Debra Kenyon
Henry Kokrine
Vicky Lawyer
Jon McCoy
Dana McGuffey
Nancy Mease
Joan Morkal
Allen Morse
Terence Nusser
Richard Pederson
Randall Pendarvis
Brendan Pieschl
Ciolane Pippin
Jim Prentiss
Scott Siebert
Theresa Sullivan
Renee Thompson
Richard Van Stone
Debra Walker



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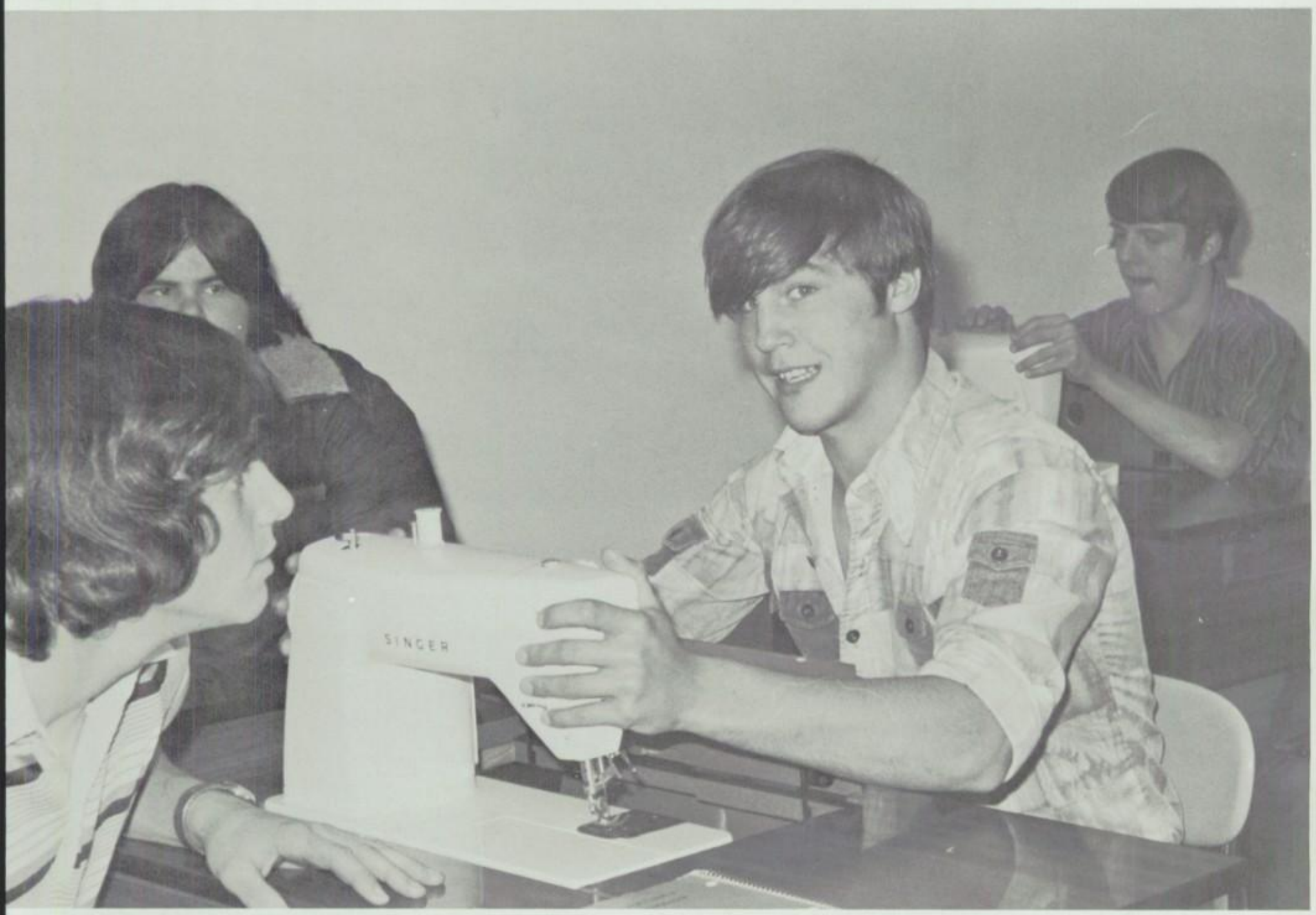
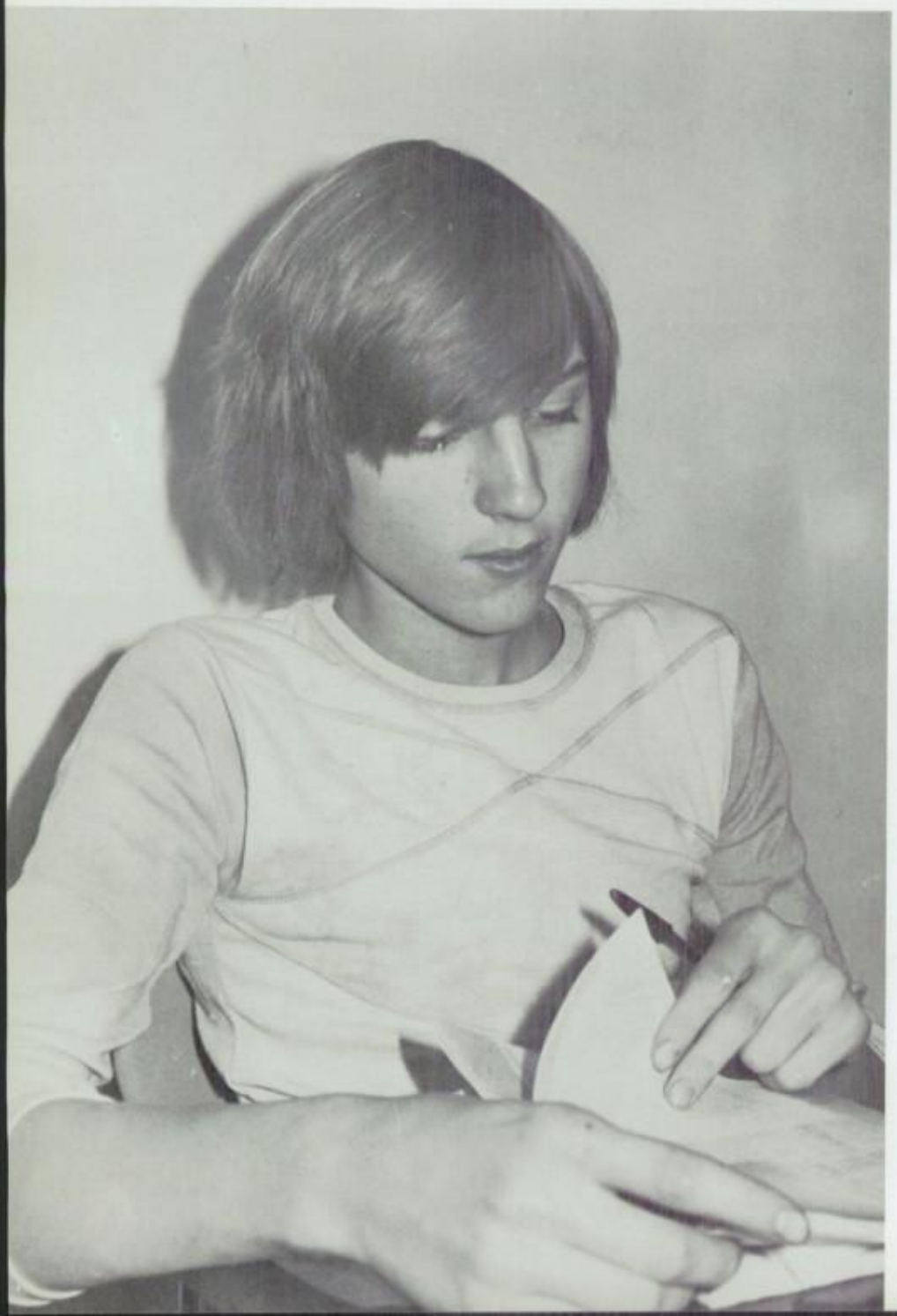


OPERATION

. . . What's a Day at West Like?

The West Aurora has chosen to dote and brag about the fine selection of great people who run around West Valley just as frantic as one's everyday student council rep, but are not in the limelight. What the Aurora is trying to point out is that one doesn't necessarily have to be Key Club president, editor of the school paper, or a general busybody to make it at school.

A bit of persistence is required.



"Hey Don, would you do me a favor and get rid of this photographer friend of yours?"

More power to these souls who rise at dawn (!), get on the bus and go through the traditional day of a West Valley high school student. More umph to the individual who manages to exist without the social contact of excessive popularity or being known to, or at least, known by every other peer! These are the folks who, down the line, are people with their own personal adventures and tales to share--they are those beings who, through time, will look upon high school as a stepping stone to living...

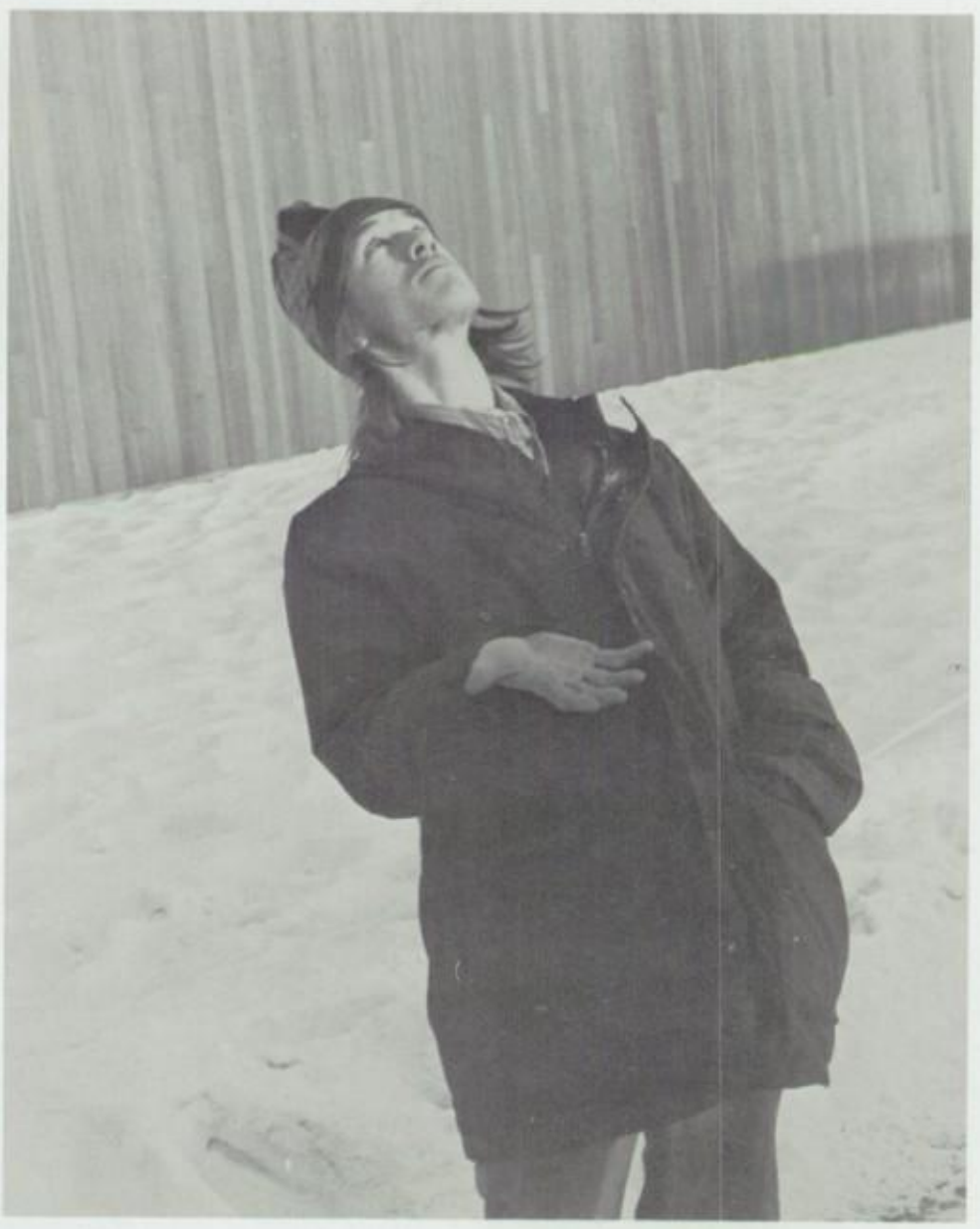
Our average West Valley day consists of making it to class on time--before the tone tones! Each tone signals some sort of dismissal or attention...throughout the hall, total chaos reigns and the situation is each soul for their own hide. Finally, after numerous tones, numbers of 50 minute classes and a sparing bite to eat, the last tone does its bit and chaos is at its height. Eventually the day closes with the dispersion of peoples to their appropriate busses, cars, and walks. Ahh, home.

"ALL RIGHT! Lunch Time!"

Students Solving $ Problems

Oh, hang it up, Cathy!

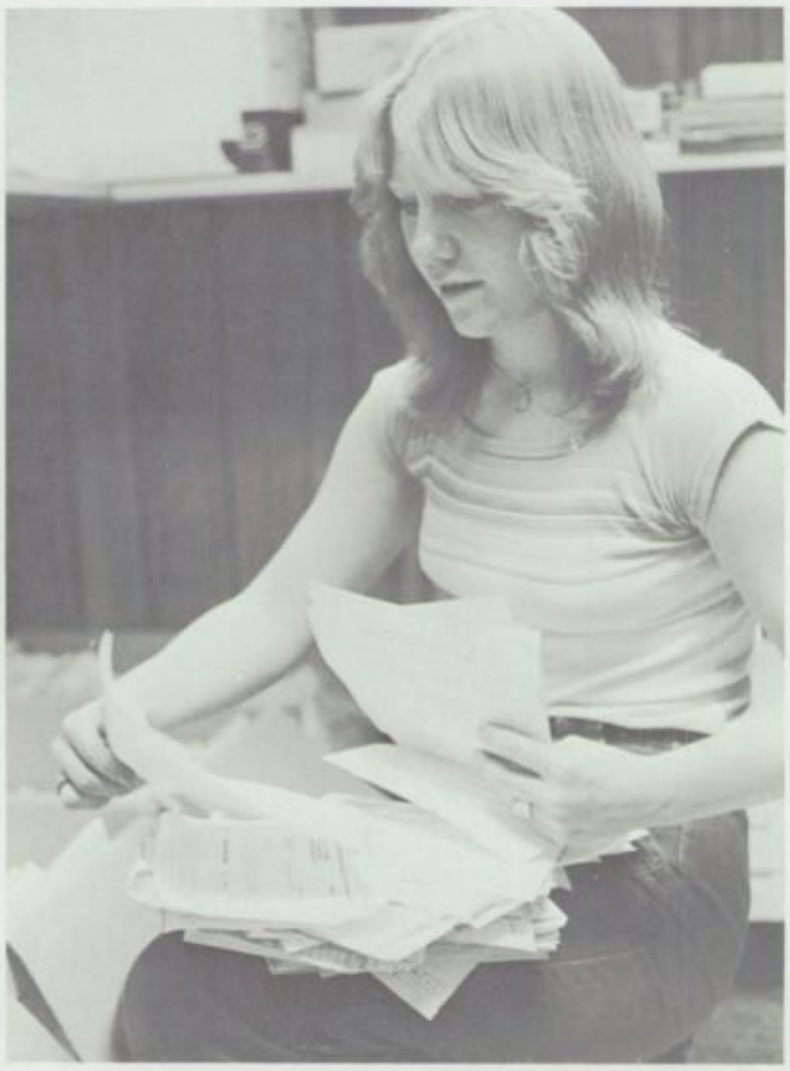
Your spray for the day.



Our Pro Snowflake Catcher!

I want my change, Debbie!

Two all beef patties . . .



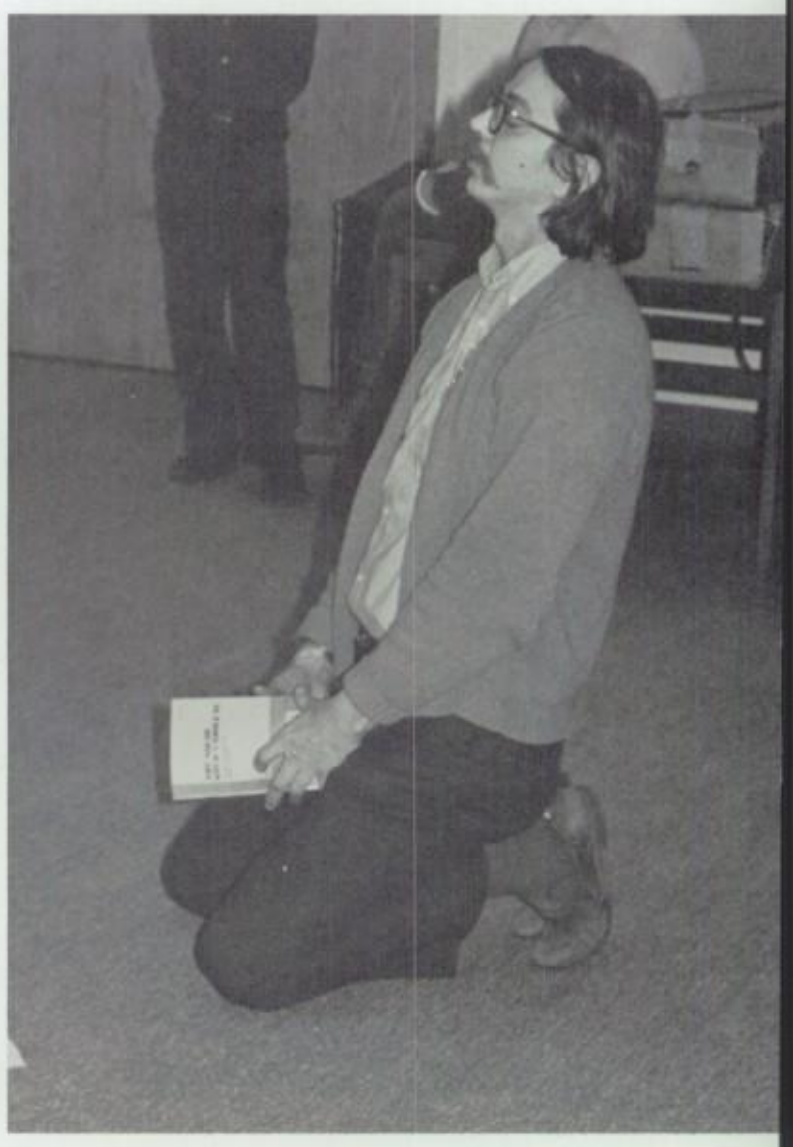
Kathy knows everything from A-Z?!

When school is dismissed not all students are free to go home and relax, many have jobs they must go to. These individuals leave school and begin another day as a secretary, sales clerk, gas station attendant, box person, reporter, or almost anything else imaginable.

Although experience or transportation may hinder some people in becoming employed, the community is grateful for the help they are able to obtain.

New Methods Enlighten Students

Itch it right there.

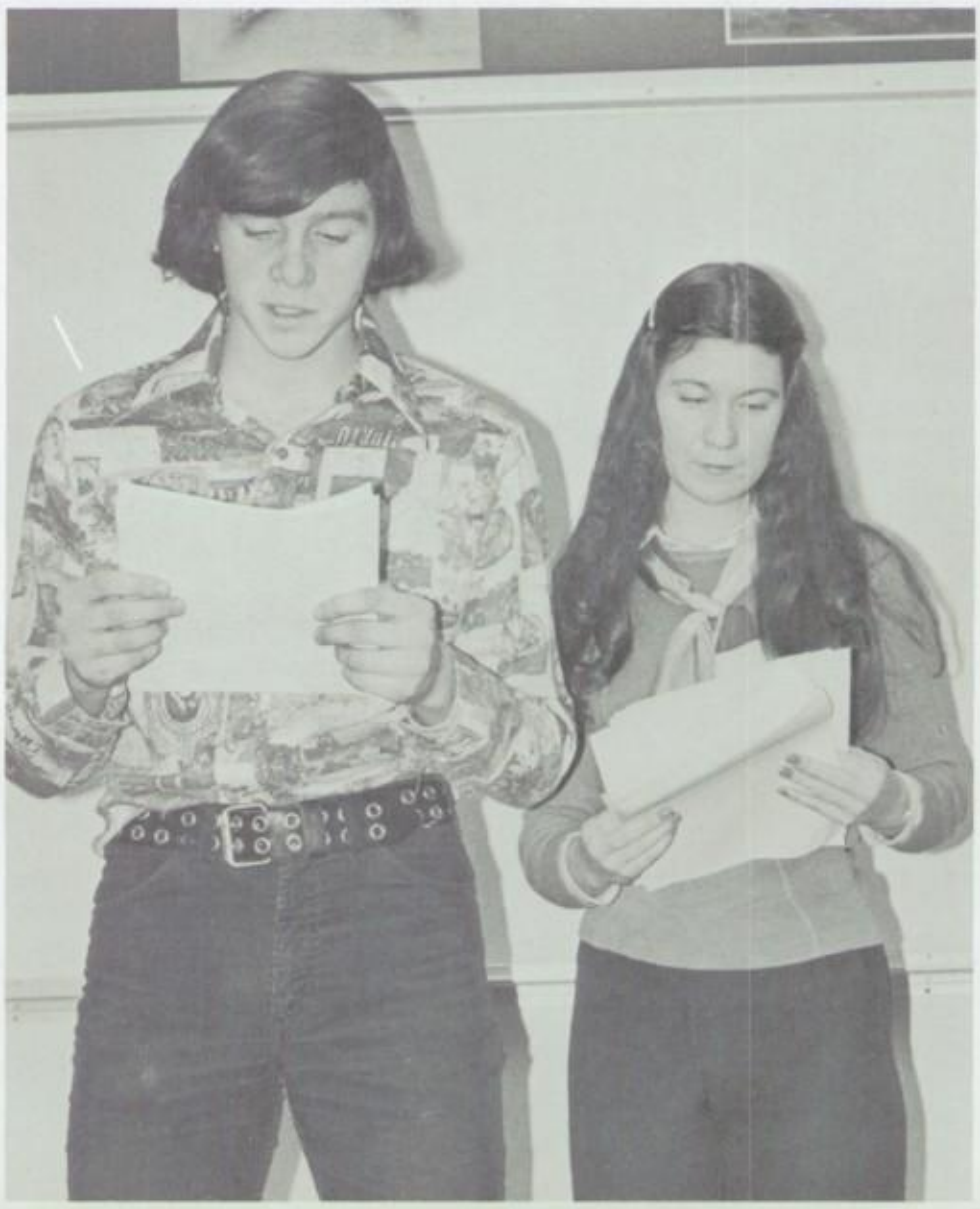


Life at West Valley consists of activities varying from the drudgery of everyday hall madness to a delightful pep assembly in the commons and on to a lecturer or even a play. This is all in addition to one's typical day at SCHOOL.

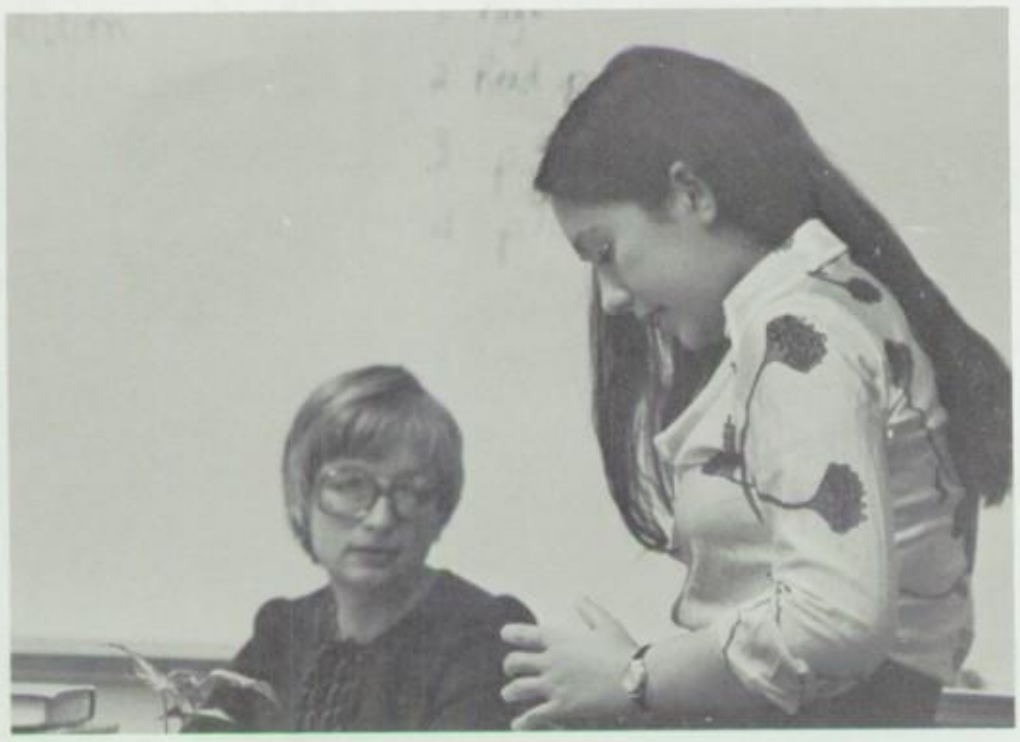
West Valley students were lucky enough this year to be offered numerous lecturers from alcholism to YOU and YOUR A.C.T., and a variety of other special educational pastimes. Films were shown, models glued, and various bits of life dissected and viewed.

All in all, the classroom scene at West Valley offered new learning channels for all concerned and opened many doors. Through these varied visitors and teaching methods, the light bulbs lit up, never to fade. Learning became more enjoyable and the audiences much more enthusiastic.

I thought you had it!

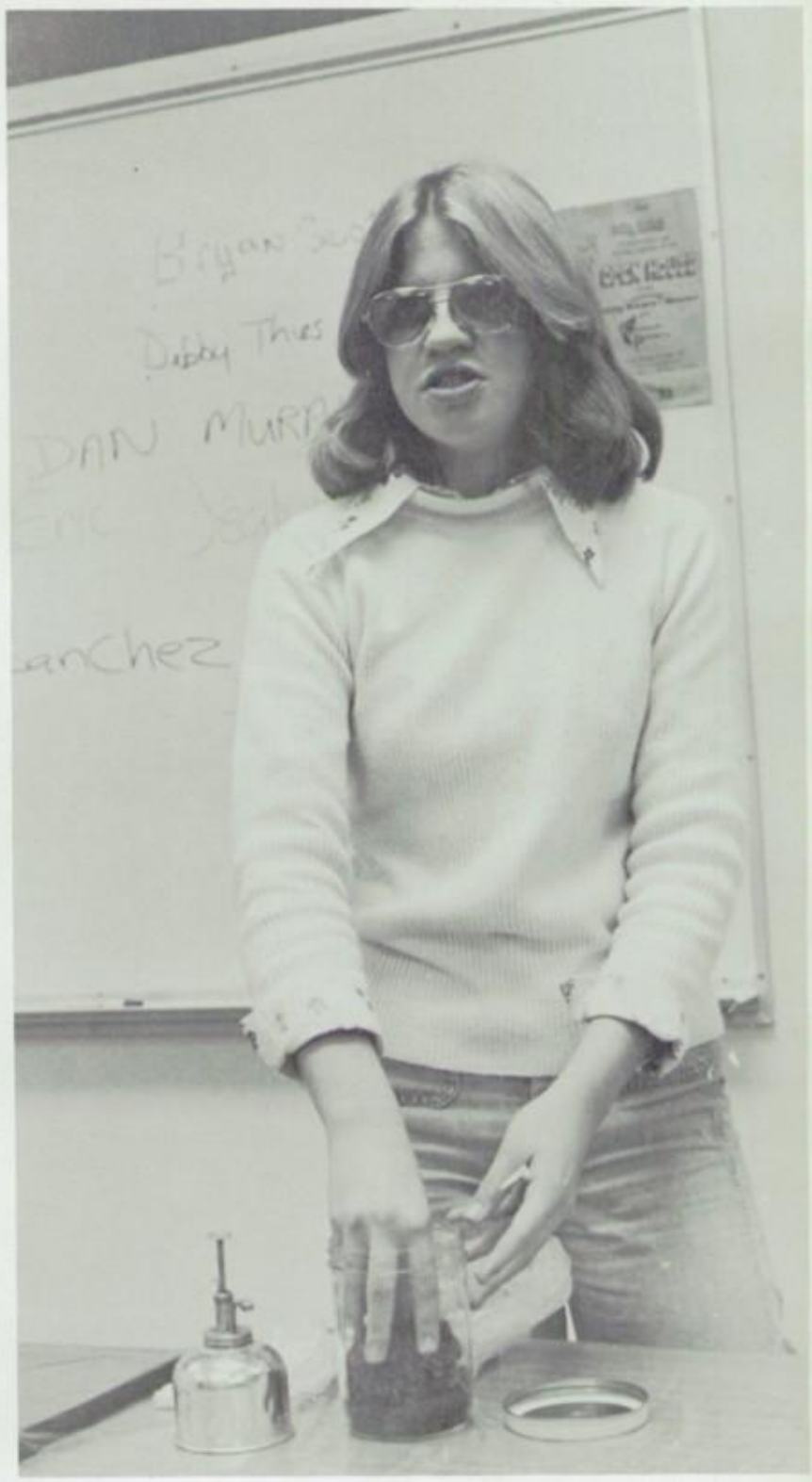


To read or not to read, that is the question.



Teacher, I've got a confession to make.

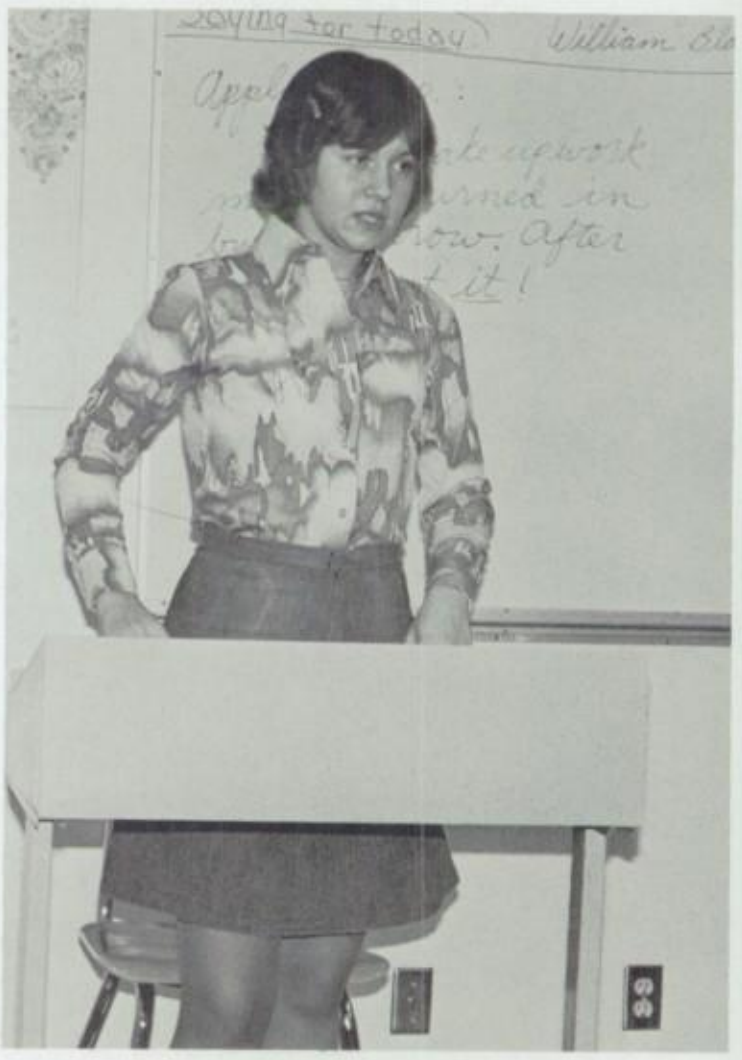
You put your right hand in and shake it all about. . .



Bridles are useful articles to use on your little brother!

Mr. Seymour Tuzroyluke, Sr., a master at ivory carving, displays his talent.

Homer, I'm taking my coffee break, you keep on working.



I was never told about the birds and the bees.

Helping hands.

Hey, can you write a note for me too?

And secondly. . .

I think that's the answer!

ACDC

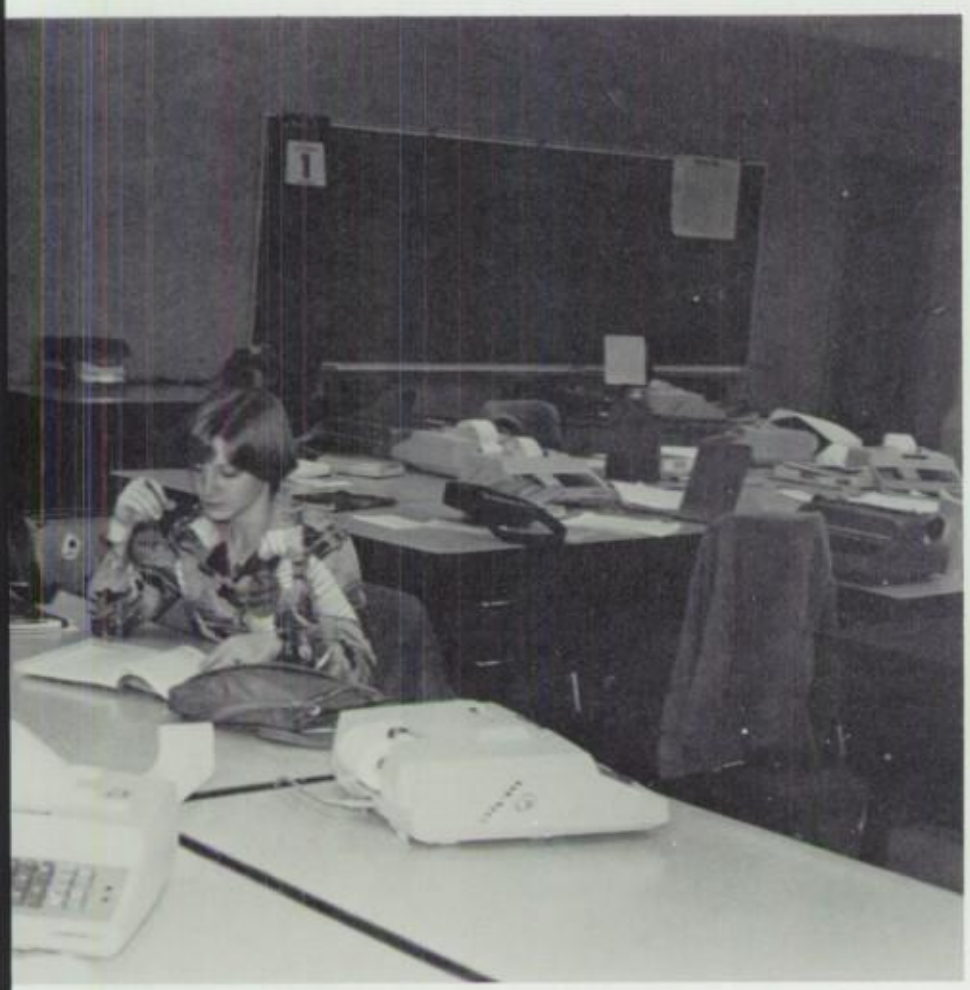
Welcomes

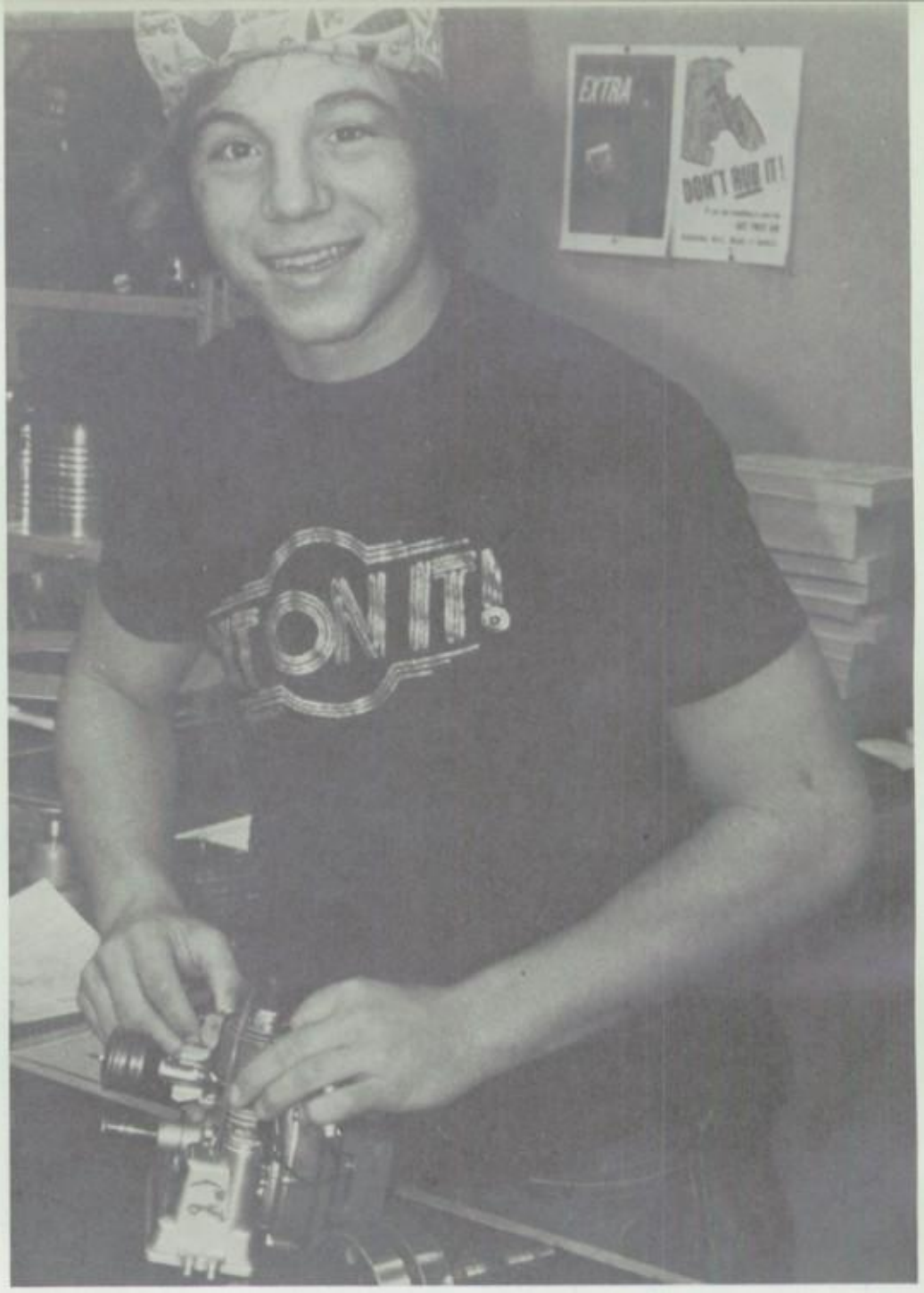
You

The Adult Career Development Center (ACDC) of Fairbanks is on the move up. More and more high school students are taking advantage of this additional free education. ACDC offers printing, office occupations, auto mechanics, and health occupations--among many other courses.

With the vocational school right next door West students had it really fine. Many Wolfpackers were able to make a hop-skip-and-a-jump into a totally different education system. ACDC has endured much throughout the past few years and, along with West Valley, it is on the rise and out for better education!

"Talk about picky!"

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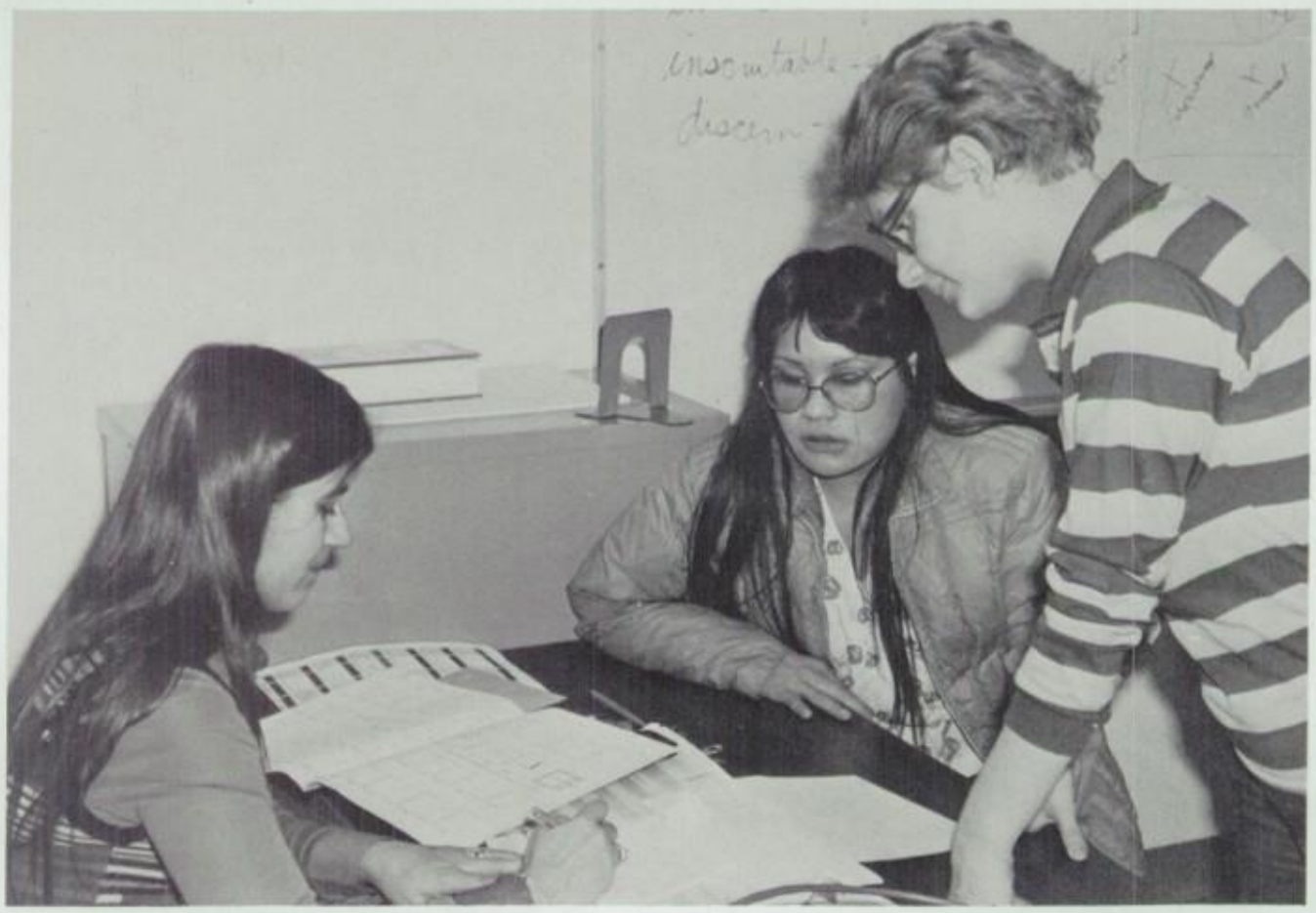
ON IT!

HUTCHISON CAREER CENTER



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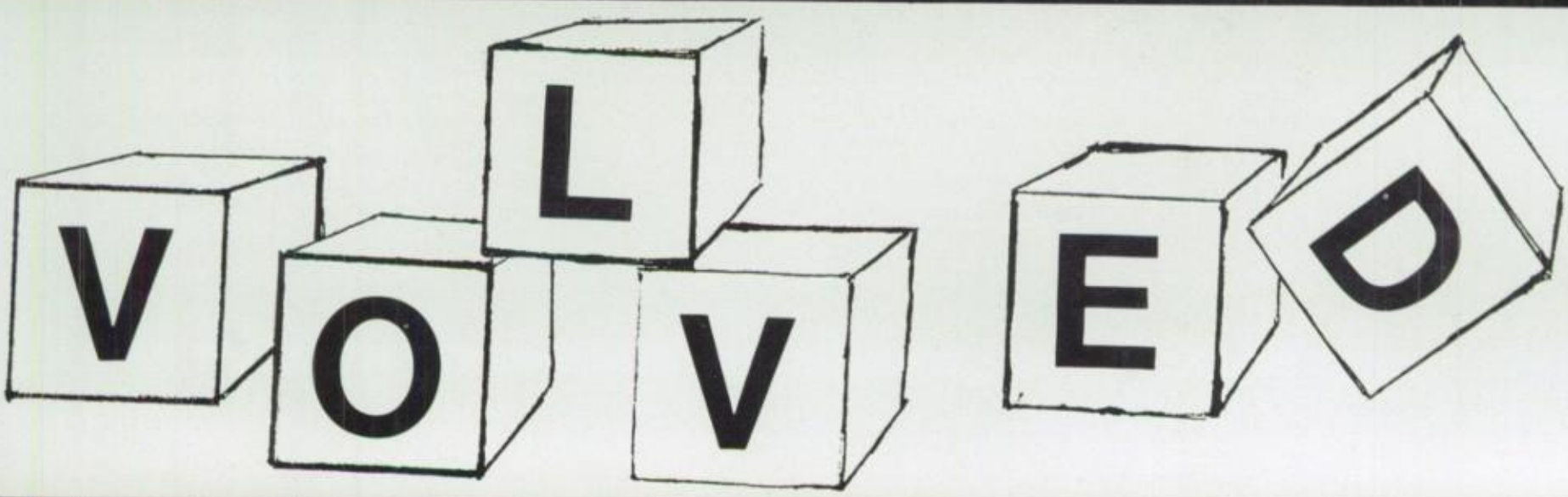
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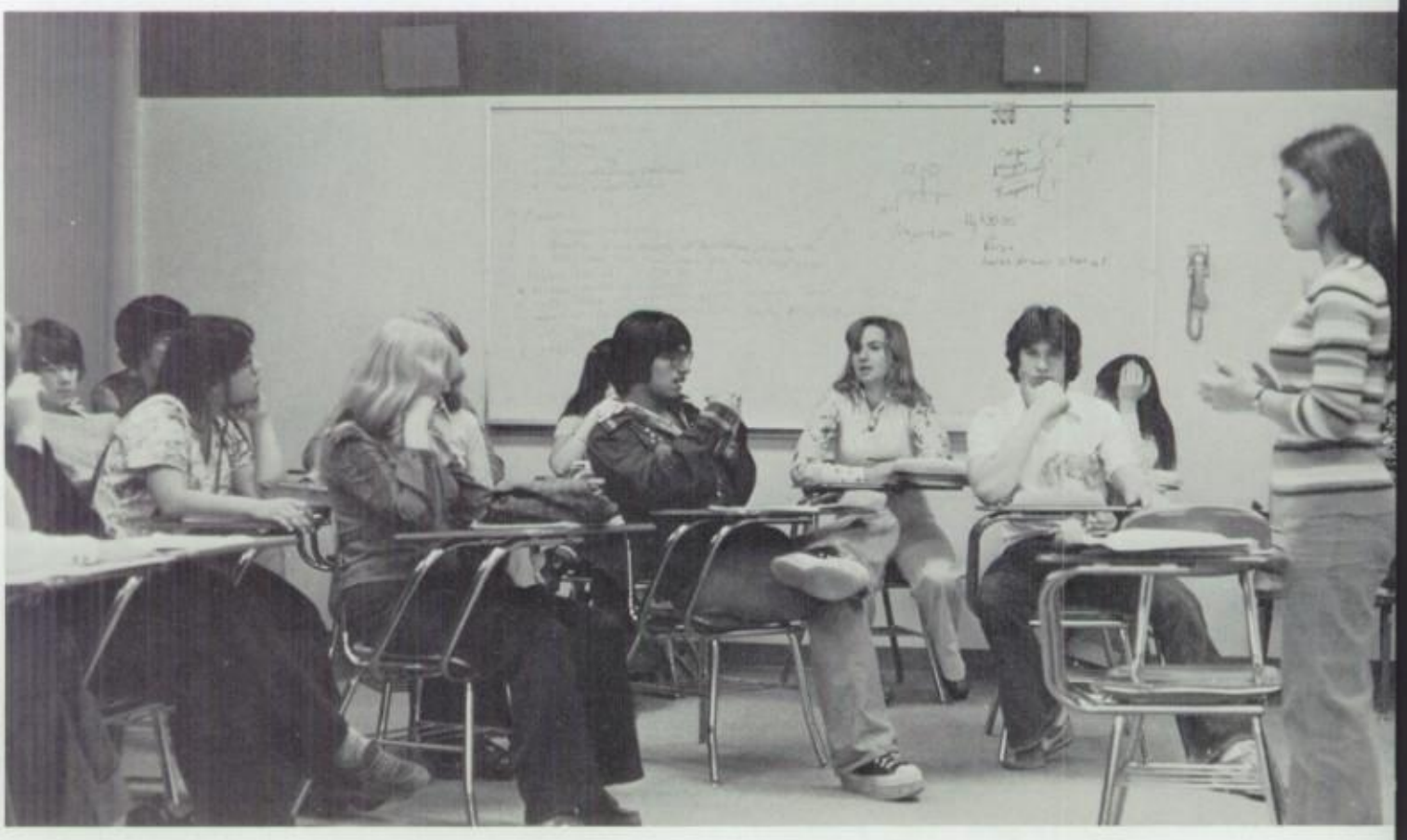
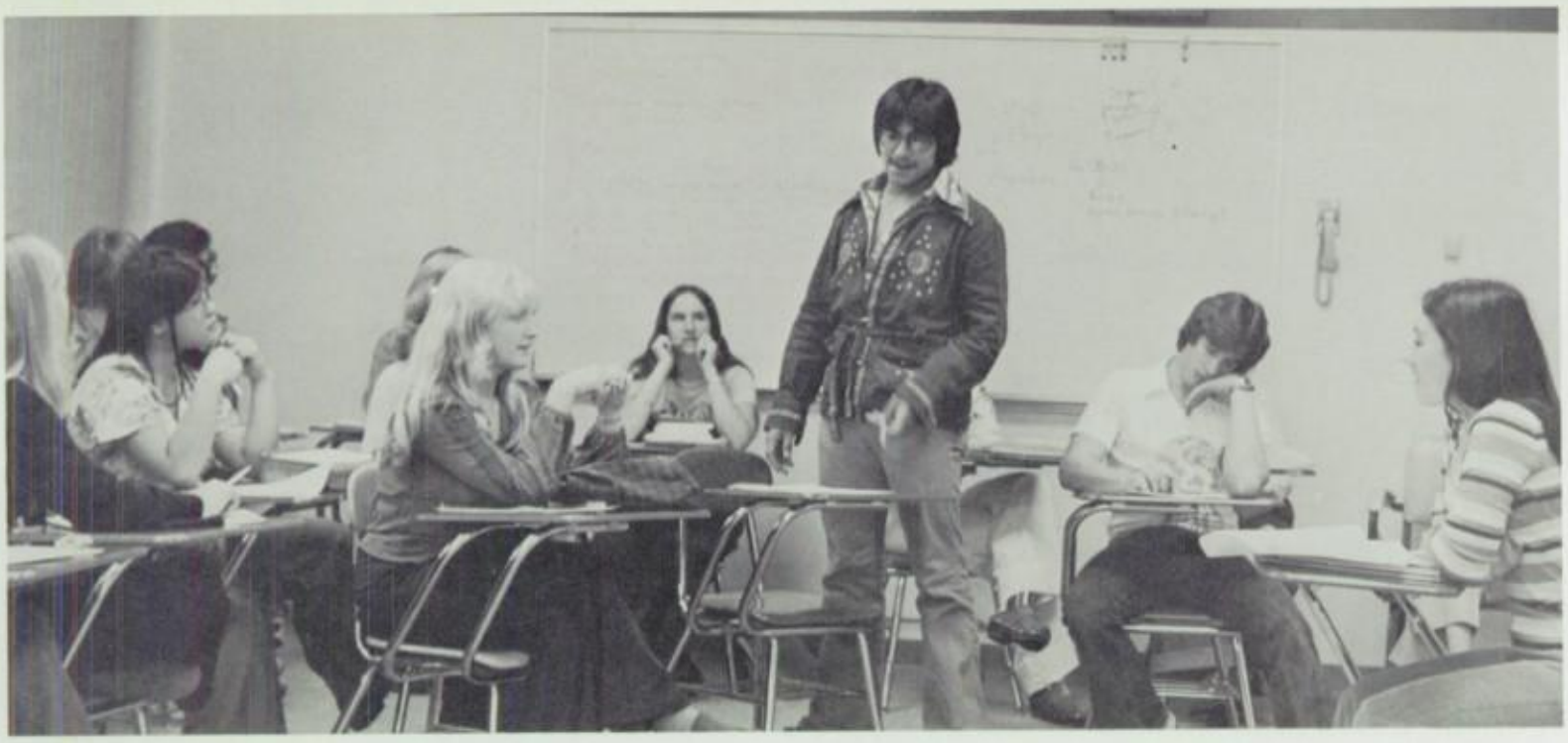
Student Body Structure

STUDENT BODY OFFICERS; LEFT TO RIGHT: President, Sui Len Brown; Vice President, Jack Piza; Recording Secretary, Stacey Schallock; Corresponding Secretary, Melissa Benson; Treasurer, Gary Lambert.





"Presidents can have fun, too," says Sui Brown.

Making a first this year was Sui Len Brown, the first female Student Body President of West. Aided by her Vice, Jack Piza; Recording Secretary, Stacey Schallock; Corresponding Secretary, Missie Benson; and Treasurer, Gary Lambert; they went through the trials and tribulations of a new student council in some very trying conditions. Always there to help get through those trials and any other problems that arrived was the very devoted advisor, Edie Green.

These leaders, along with the class officers and representatives, started new traditions and were the corner stone to a new foundation for a fresh council.

Senior Forepersons

As a Freshman in high school you might recall looking up to the Seniors and saying "I can't wait!" The senior year has always seemed like the easy street of high school. It is the year where you glide through classes and act "cool", yet ask one of the Senior Class officers and representatives if this is so and you will probably get a heart felt "no way!"

This year's class was the first graduating class from the new West Valley H.S. and the class officers and reps. tried in every way possible to help make this year the best for all seniors. With the help of Susan Peters and Dan Rodey, they may very well have reached their goal.

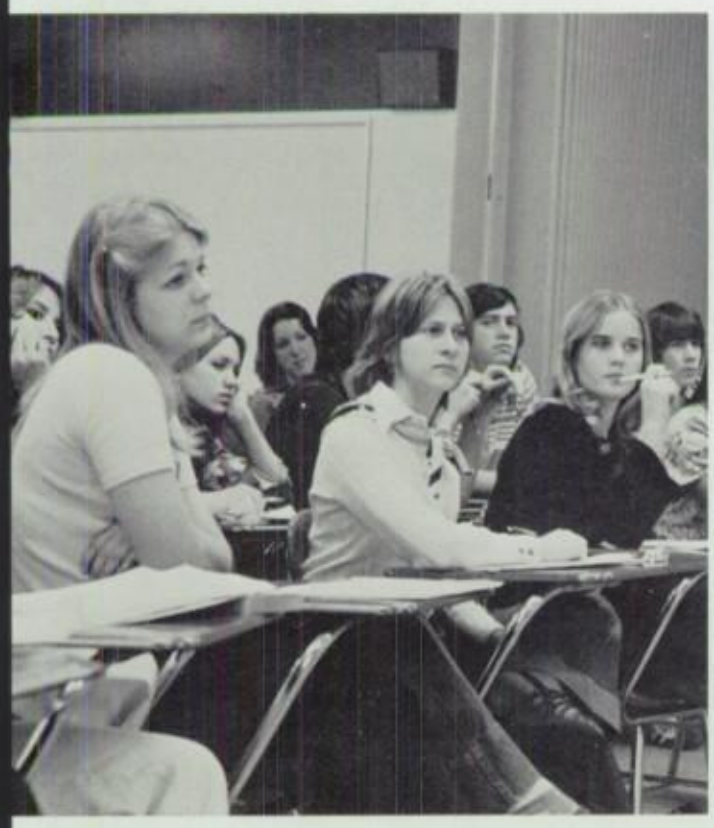
SENIOR OFFICERS; TOP TO BOTTOM: Vice President, Porcia Fenton; Treasurer, Anna Brooks; Secretary, Kristi Smith; President, Therese Viator.

SENIOR REPS; LEFT TO RIGHT; Mike Zahara, Allison Foltz, Lance Gilmore, John Burns, Lori Cartledge, and Mike Winters.

Constructive Juniors

JUNIOR OFFICERS; CLOCKWISE: Secretary, Susan Shaw; President, Rochelle Matlock; Vice President, Debby Fickus; Treasurer, Heidi Johnson.

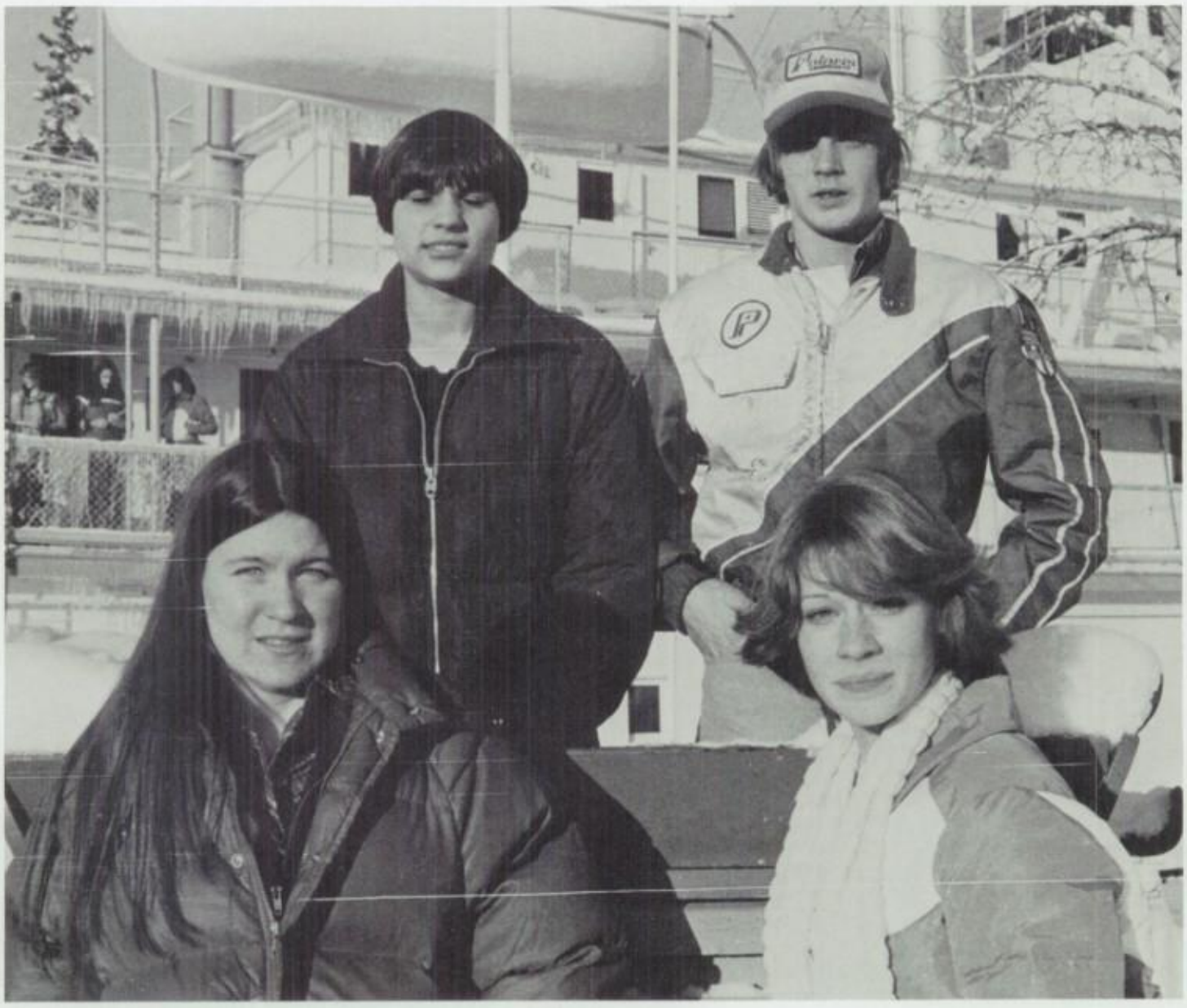
As the year rolled by, Rochelle Matlock, with the help of her officers, reps., and advisors, Karen Hagglund and Richard Tarkiainen, had such class functions as the Junior Prom, candy sales, and others. These near future Seniors prepared themselves for the up coming year by not only selling candy and buying class rings from Josten's but checking up on credits and looking forward to their senior year with great anticipation. As the year came to a close they could be heard saying "just one more year!"



Thoughtful Junior, Heidi, Lynne, and Shannon.

JUNIOR REPS; LEFT TO RIGHT: Ed Randolph, Clay Wallace, Mike Dunshie, Lynne Melavic, Shirley Scott, and Shannon Barnette.

Working Sophomores



SOPHOMORE OFFICERS; CLOCKWISE: President, Micky Schruf; Vice President, Tom VanHoomisen; Treasurer, Shannon West; Secretary, Burnice Burns.

SOPHOMORE REPS; LEFT TO RIGHT: Marcia Fenton, Chris Wallace, Jennifer Fate, Don Theophilus, Lynda Foster, and Kris Washeleski.

With Micky Schruf presiding over the Sophomore meetings it was not hard to understand how these young workers never tired and always made a success of anything they did. Jim Walker, the class advisor, was always present to help assist these workers and aided in making their year a year to be proud of.

Freshman Crew

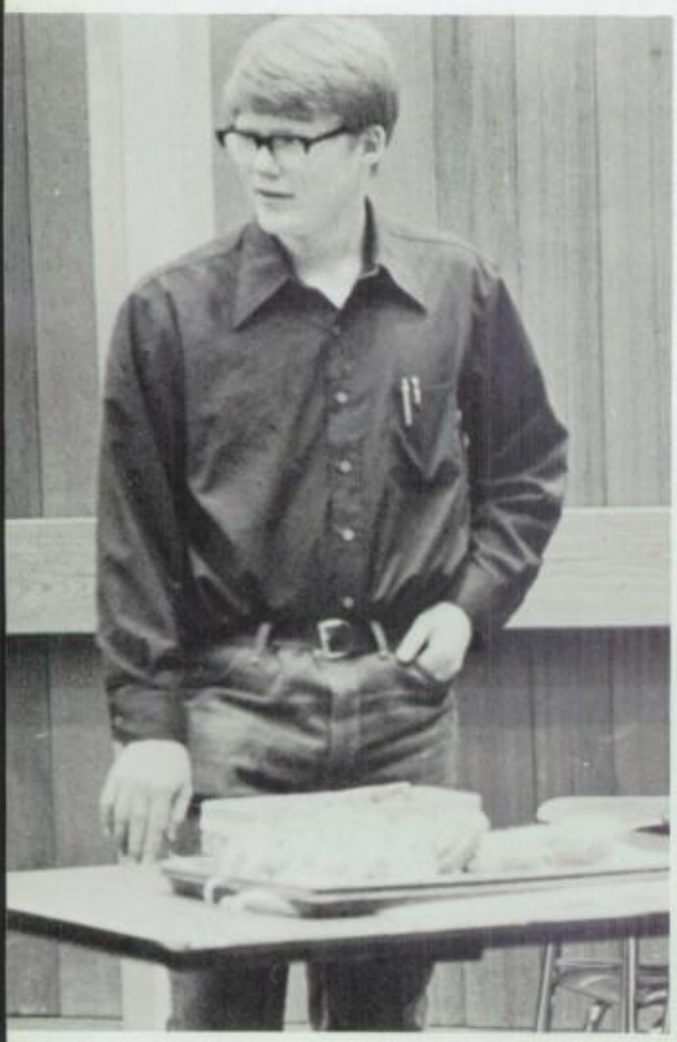
As the youngest class in the large clan of students, these new arrivals brought fresh spirit and a renewed energy to West. Tho' not as wise as the old Seniors or as worldly as the Juniors, these new arrivals were able to show that even though they don't have the upper hand now, they will. The advisors Kathy Webb and Ed Long will see to that!

FRESHMAN OFFICERS; TOP TO BOTTOM: President, Kim Barnard; Vice President, Randi Freeman; Treasurer, Karen Tyson; Secretary, Mary VanHoomissen.

FRESHMAN REPS; LEFT TO RIGHT: Linda Stephens, Jenny Girard, Marcie Hassebroek, Linda Winters, Brenda Thompson. SEATED: Danny Hernandez.

3.5 and Rising

1ST ROW Allison Foltz, Erzi De'ak, Mrs. Allison, Joan Heidel, Paula Lotspeich, 2ND ROW Pat Bradley, Mike Zahare, Susan Gibson, Eric Cotting, NOT PICTURED Mark Berry, Anne DeVries.



National Honor Society was quite active this year! With Sally Allison as advisor, and Joan Heidel as president, this West Valley organization proved to be quite an asset to the school.

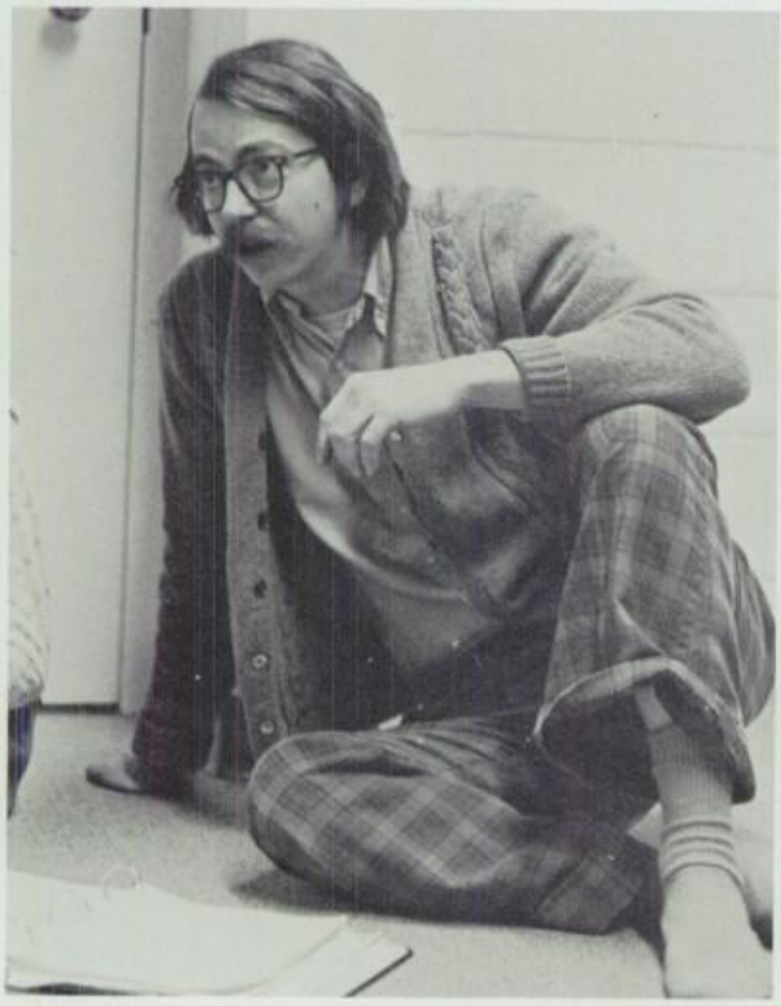
The group provided yummy donuts at lunches, a tea for the faculty, and had many a great plan to show movies. Yes, this group of intelligent beings were out there giving, giving, giving, and still mastering the technique of passing.

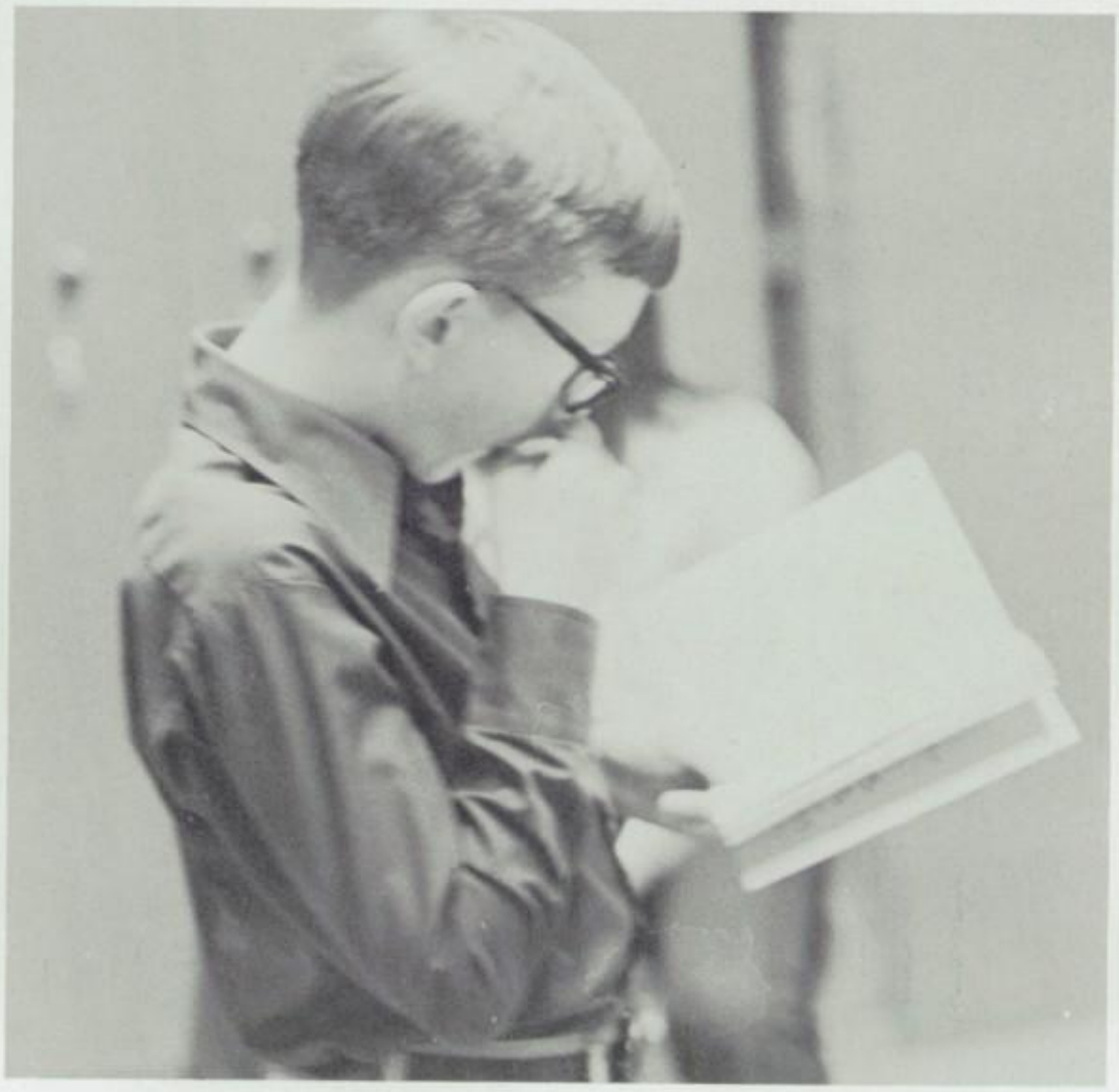
Twinkle Twinkle Little Stars

West Valley's attempt at Thespians this year was slightly hampered due to the late completion of the theatre. There were a number of interested parties but, a lack of facilities.

With a play in the air, it was thought that initiation of the eligible to-be Thespians would take place by the middle of the school term. However, the play "The Solid Gold Cadillac", by Howard Teichmann and George S. Kaufman, was postponed until March and initiations, though started, were also late. Advisor, Don Dewitt, was a tad let down and disappointed as were all the members of the club. In addition, the theatre going audience had to patiently sit-out the cancellation. By and by, the play did show and showed the true abilities of all who participated.

1ST ROW: Deidre Helfferich, John Bergamaschi, Susan Gibson, Thor Melchior, Elizabeth Swift, Eva Shroyer, Jerry Potter, Carl Heidel, Noel Jacobson, Barry Wilson, and Leo Lemon.





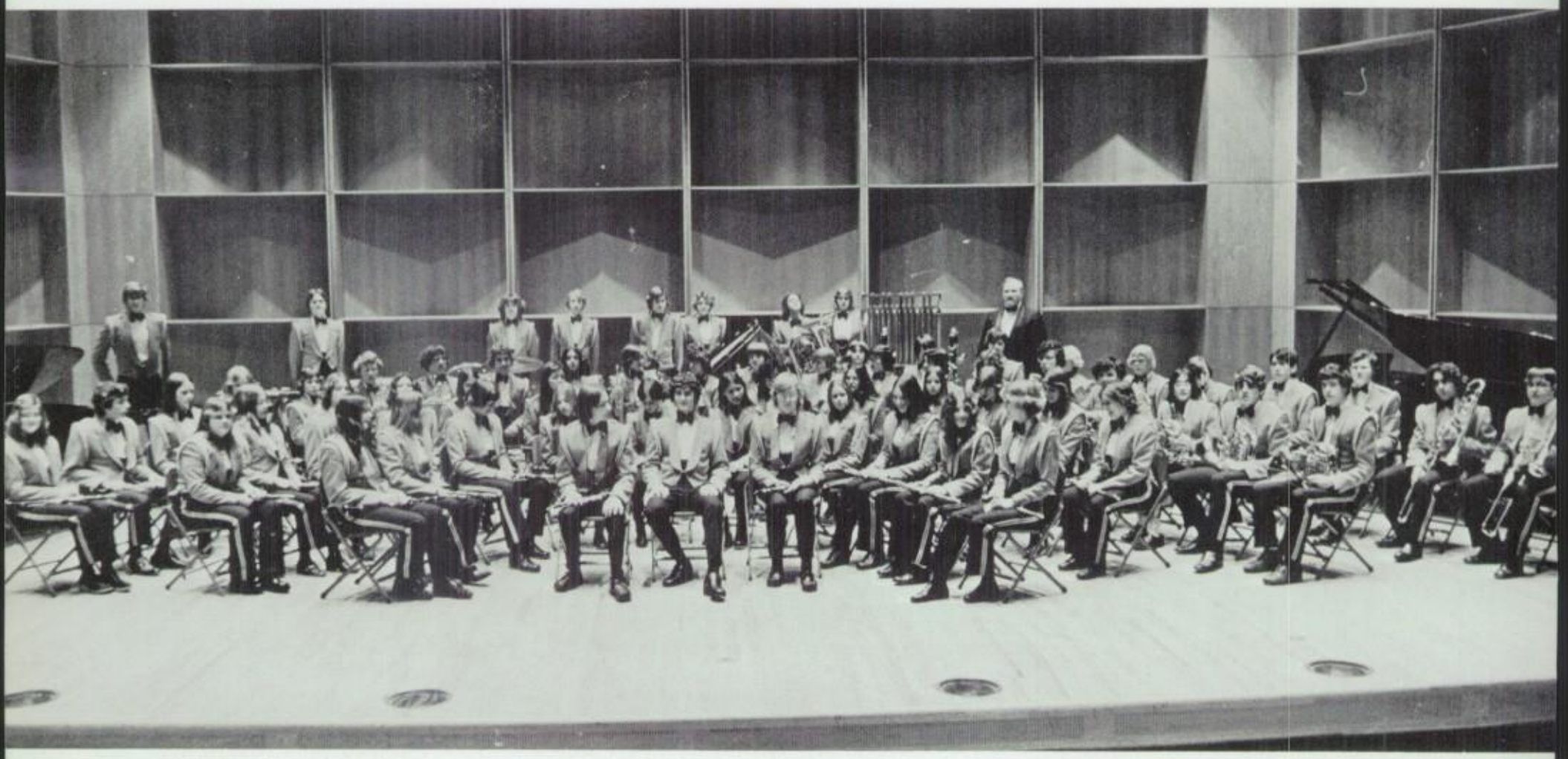
And the Beat Goes on . . .

This year West Valley's Wolfpack Concert Band was bigger and better than ever. With membership totaling 75, a large variety of instruments and students combined to make the Concert Band a big success.

Under the guidance of Captain, Leonard Neidhold; Lieutenant, Brian Gray; Secretary, Virginia Coty; Treasurer, Cheryl Winters; Librarian Vicki Rauk; Manager, Eric Patton, five concerts were presented locally, along with musical back-up for graduating Seniors from West Valley and Monroe High Schools.

Half of the year, energy was expended toward various money making projects. M&M's, placemats, and ice-cream sales provided travel to Southeast Alaska for this annual Southeastern Alaska Tour.

None of their activities could have been made possible without the superb guidance of advisor, George Wiese.



1ST ROW: Susan Jones, Seth Birkholz, Craig Ackerman, 2ND ROW: Lisa Klaich, Roberta Doner, Cheryl Winters, Murielle Mundy, Alice Hisamoto, Sarah VanCleve, Diane Lipinski, Diane Caldwell, Vicki Rauk, Susan South, 3RD ROW: Antoinette SanChez, Marilyn Childers, Cheryl Wilhelm, Mary VanHoomison, Vanessa Edgar, Becky Bumgarther, Steve Becker, Kathleen Bluekins, Varina VanVeldhizen, Eric Resch, Ian Morrison, Jennifer Gibson, Debra Thies, 4TH ROW: Richard Tremarello, Eric Patton, Eric Young, Daniel Gerdes, Andrew Zahare, Jennifer Jordan, Joe Shaw, David Totin, Wayne Wittrock, Mark Lewis, Paul Milan, Robert Franz, Brendan Pieschel, Paul Brown, Greg Pirie, Micheal Flodin, Timothy Cowin, Cheryl Big Joe, Edith Vaugnan, Leslie Rogers, Gina Medaris, 5TH ROW: Leonard Neidhold, Anthony Searochi, Robert Dempsey, Leonard Hisamoto, Dana Garrett, Hans Stragier, Katie Neidhold, Mark Richison, Mark Turner, Dale Bohanan, 6TH ROW: Mr. Wiese, Kim Kelly, Virginia Coty, Janel Thompson, Brian Gray, Dan Beecher, Albert Lawson, Lenard Richison, Micheal Roth

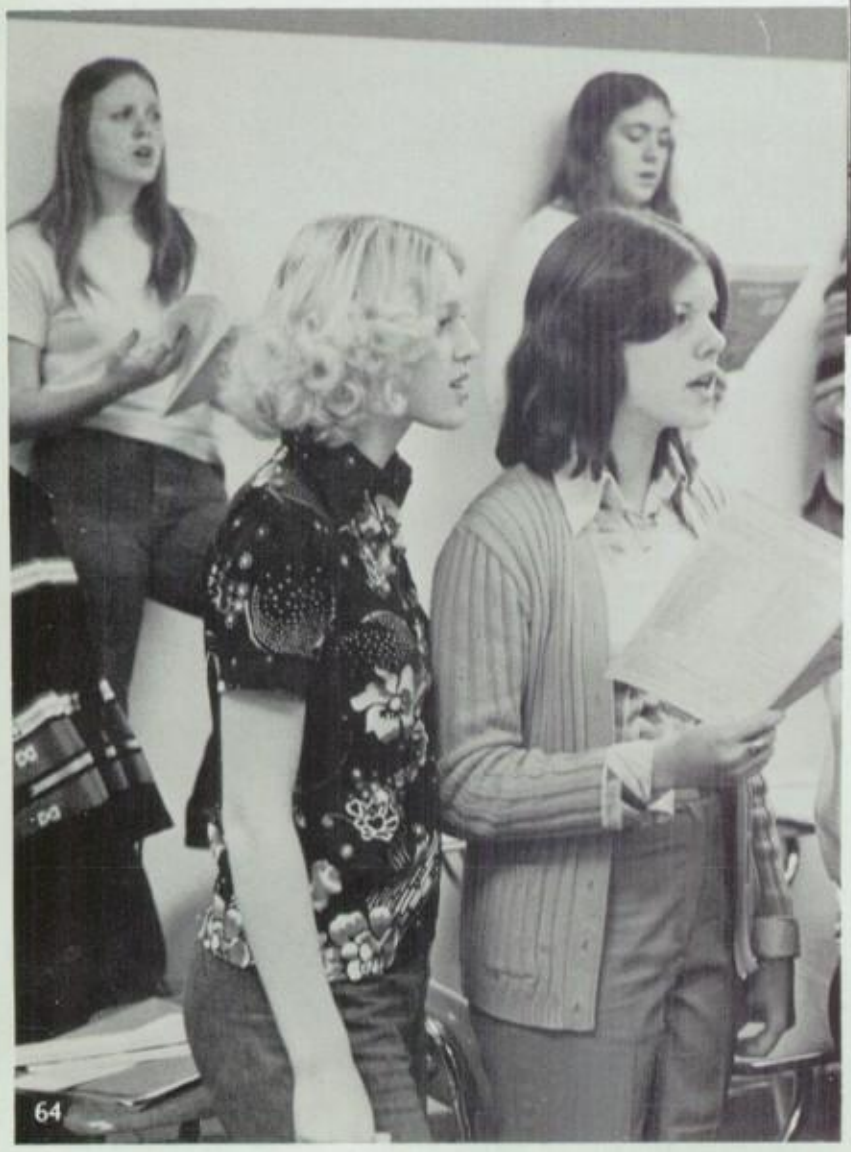
Secretary, Virginia Coty; Captain, Leonard Neidhold; Treasurer, Cheryl Winters; Manager, Eric Patton, Librarian, Vicki Rauk; Lieutenant Captain, Brian Gray.

The Halls Are Alive With the Sound of Music

Lacking a piano and a room to practice in for the first few months of school, the 1976-1977 Concert Choir still succeeded in singing it's way through a great year. Sponsoring bake sales and selling candy raised money for them to make a trip to the penninsula area as one of their many impressive concerts of the year.

The All-State Honor Groups were held in Fairbanks this year and West Valley Choir members Lindy Hamilton, Mary Williams, and Toby Greene were selected to sing in the All-State Honor Choir while Emily Arth was chosen to play the piano.

Their successful activities this year were accomplished through the capability of advisor Marvilla Conn, and the leadership of five hard-working class officers.



Play it again, Emily!

TOP ROW, L TO R: Karen Conrad, Paula Hebb, Ellen Evans, Tracy Johnson, Pam Thorson, Lorrie Greene, Bruce Kenyon, Mark Richison, Brian Johnson, Toby Greene, Gary Lambert, Rudy Gavora, SECOND ROW: Deb Fickus, Kim Kelly, Brenda Thompson, Gloria Martin, Susan Swartz, Mark Ward, Herb Mashner, Jack Piza, Kelly Barger, Susan Shaw, Lee Ashton, THIRD ROW: Kristen Lloyd, Vicky Rauk, Deb Desrocher, Lindy Hamilton, Lance Gilmer, Aaron Foltz, Carl Wilson, Emily Arth, Brenda Stephens, Joy Phillips, Loree Vorhees, BOTTOM ROW: Barb Thompson, Melinda Howard, Doris Candage, Jan Thompson, Mary Williams, Mary Bezona, Director, Marvilla Conn, Eric Young, Mark Turner, Leslie Thomas, Julie Burud, Leslie Foltz, NOT PICTURED: Ann DeVries, Karen Coston, Matt Perry, Brenda Woods, Kim Hughes, and Allison Foltz.

LEFT TO RIGHT: Secretary, Deb Desrocher, President, Lindy Hamilton, Secretary, Kristen Lloyd, Treasurer, Lance Gilmer, and Vice President, Allison Foltz.

A lovely red rose for a job well performed.

Strings Attached

1ST ROW: Gretchen Madson, Druska Salisbury, Janice Trumble, Debbie Davis, Barbara Setzer, Mrs. Matschke, Joy Phillips, Charlie Koo, Charlie Wright, Pat Bradley, Julie Morehouse, and Shirley Scott.

When the West Valley Chamber Orchestra plays, you can be sure it will be worth hearing. Donna Matschke is the director for this ensemble and is very qualified for this job. All the members of this Orchestra are devoted and are successful in their effort to bring music and culture to the home of West.

"That's Debatable"

1ST ROW Sui Brown 2ND ROW Karen Coston, Lisa Klaich, Porcia Fenton, Erzsi De'ak, Tracy Johnson 3RD ROW Barbara Settzer, Joan Heidel, Therese Viator, John Burns, Mrs. Burnside 4TH ROW Ed Lambert, Mr. Kiel.

As 1977 approached West Valley, some nervous students were seen pacing the halls in front of the debate room. With the topic of the year being researched, the first debate tournament was held on January 29. Throughout the year, the twenty members and advisor, Marcia Burnside, visited Anchorage to compete in various speaking events, and also hosted the Spring Debate Tournament.

The year proved to be very successful and debaters are looking forward to next year when more competetive speech activities will be available.

The BLIZZARD

Under the enthusiastic guidance of Executive Editor Erzsi De'ak, and devoted advisor, Marcia Burnside, West Valley's bi-weekly paper was a fine bit of journalism. A new format and choice of newsprint gave THE BLIZZARD a new look.

With the late start, the staff had a great deal to catch up on. The lack of the absolutely necessary light tables and other supplies made the production of the paper VERY interesting!

In the end, the year smoothed out and next year looks to be even more organized and successful!!

All right, kiddies, here's the plan.

"If I look at one more headline I'll die. . ." groans Editor Erzsi De'ak.

Pieces fall in place as John, Therese and Jody finalize their layout.

"Oh, my gosh--the deadline's today and. . .!!"

Dear John Duck Soup Fashion Bored?

THE FUN-LOVING "BLIZZARD" STAFF. . .ROW 1: Sherry Kirkman, Jody Vignola, Karen Coston, Terese Viator, Fred Reich; ROW 2: Advisor Marcia Burnside, Barry Wilson, Tammi Dukeman, Editor Erzsi De'ak, John Burns, and Scott Siebert.

The BLIZZARD

Executive Editor . . . . . *Erzsi De'ak*
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Feature Story Page Editor. . . . . *Jody Vignola*
Feature Page Editor . . . . . *Sheri Kirkman*
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Advertising Manager. . . . . *Karen Coston*
Reporter . . . . . *John Burns*
Advisor . . . . . *Ms. Marcia Burnside*

"NOW, what!?!?" laments Terese.

Tammi and Scott collaborate on "Blizzard" dummy sheets.

Senior Stars ★ Letters

WE MAKE THE

Rhonda was crying, David was fretting and everyone was IMPRESSED.

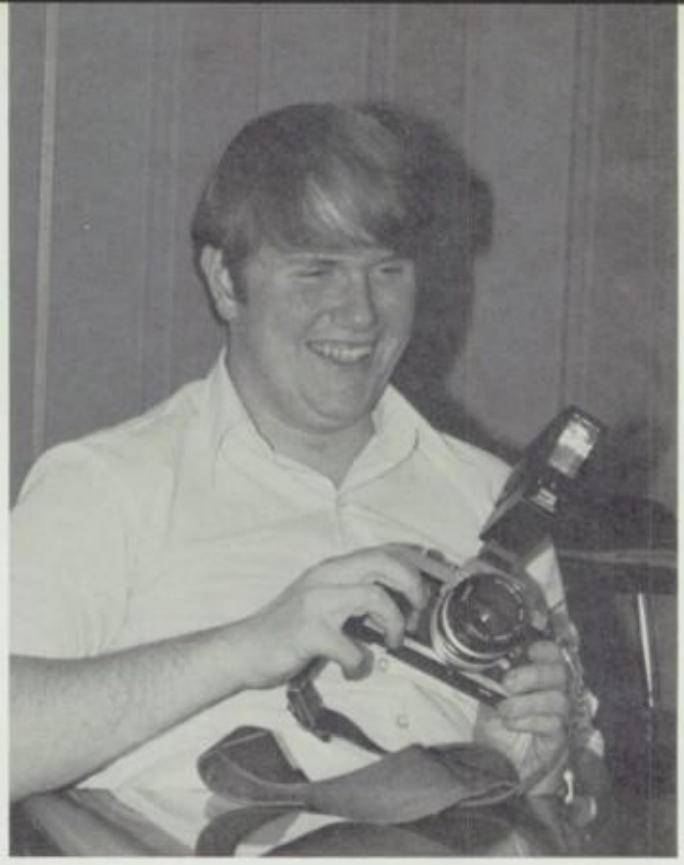
The West Aurora is obviously a great success. The staff unrolled a tremendous ad campaign with the soapy of Rhonda and David and the IMPRESS YOURSELF slogan which eventually led to I'M IMPRESSED iron-ons.

The group was unbelievably lucky at this sales pitch and the student body and all yearbook buyers responded extremely favorably. By the end of the first yearbook sale, over 600 books had been sold--- a fantastic record which totally outdid that of the '75-'76 school term.

Last year the West Aurora placed 2nd in the National Columbia S.P.A. contest, this year led by Kristi Smith and Ann DeVries, the staff conceived a book of true quality and delight that is worth a first place at least!! Advisor, Barb Philleo was exceedingly pleased with the staff and the end result. Aren't we all!!?!!

Congrats are in order for this team of people who diligently and devotedly worked the hours away, wore their "I'M IMPRESSED" T-shirts, and came to class EVERYDAY!

Everything okay, Kathy?



MEMORIES

TOP TO BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Advisor Barbara Philleo; Ed Randolph, John Garvey, Allison Foltz, Ann DeVries, Shirley McConnell, Rochell Matlock, Porcia Fenton, Kristi Smith, Homer Lord, Missie Benson, Shelly Talvi, Lory Barsdate, Sharon McConnell, Russ Talvi, Bernice Burns, Stacey Schallock, Shirley Scott, Therese Viator, Lori Cartledge, Erzsi De'ak, and Marcie Hassebroek. NOT PICTURED, Bridget Baker, Kathy Banfill, Chet Adkins, and Bob Cowgill

LATIN LOVERS

This year the Fairbanks chapter of the Junior Classical League has two consuls (equivalent to two presidents) from Lathrop, but the membership is still mainly composed of West Valley Latintakers. This is the only chapter in the state of Alaska, but there is a possibility of one evolving in Anchorage soon. JCL, which sponsors such events as the Saturnalia, comparable to Christmas festivities, Winter Olympics, a huge Spring Banquet, and a pizza bash, is under the direction of Pauline Chamness. Another yearly event for these Latin enthusiasts is the National Convention. It was held in New York last year, and Sue Brown and Porcia Fenton were able to attend with Ms. Chamness. The 1977 Convention will be held in Florida this summer, and the club has been busy earning pecunia for the trip, though most of the tab is picked up by the lucky individuals who choose to go. Bona fortuna eis! (...good luck to them!!)

Romans observe Olympic activities.

Pixie Javelin-throw?!!

Renouned grape-peelers

Final Event: Chariot Races!!

ROW 1: Diane Whaley, Donna Peterman, Barbara Lauridsen, Pat Bradley, Linda Winters, Judy Wheat. ROW 2: Ms. Chamness, Advisor; Val Orand, Paula Barclay, Karen Purkowski, Porcia Fenton, Lauri Code, Janet Ruckman, Shirley Scott. ROW 3: Doris Candage, Joni Papp, Cheryl Martin, Elizabeth Henry, Kib Cannon, Robert Carboy, Kee Brown.

Our Foreign Friends Have Fun!

The 1976-77 version of the Foreign Language Club is primarily dedicated to the consumption of any and every variation in food.

The club, headed by Madame VanEnkevort, had baked an interesting batch of cookies this year and compiled a cook book made-up of many, many, receipes from around the world. In addition to their food dominated performances, the group managed to go caroling at University Park Elementary School. Presidented by Kelly Riley, the troop has sledded down steep hills into potlucks and had grand times.

Although the people are predominantly foreign language students, it is not a prerequisite for membership. Vice President, Bob Cowgill, and Secretary/Treasurer, Lory Barsdate, tie up the officers for this past year's group of hungry souls-- next year looks to be even more (ful)filling!

ROW 1: Sylvia Slotnick, Lory Barsdate, Karen Hilliard, Anetta Davis, Eileen Beecher. ROW 2: Willie Koo, Sonja Krecji, Jeff Gedney, Karen Coston, Dave Lindeman. ROW 3: Mrs. VanEnkevort, Ed Lambert, Jennifer Fate, Kelly Riley, Drake Selmer, Jennine Abel, Robert Cowgill.

Have you ever longed to live in some far-off land surrounded by new people and new cultures? Through American Field Services you can. Every September AFS looks for a Junior or Senior who is interested in spending a summer or year going to school in a foreign country.

Applications are turned in to West's AFS sponsor, Audrey Copeland, and from there they go to the local AFS chapter for review, with an interview following. After the official "work" the applicants attend a get-acquainted party. The selected few, whose names are announced after the party, have their applications sent to New York for further consideration. With the coming of spring comes the news: who made it, where they will go, who their host family will be...

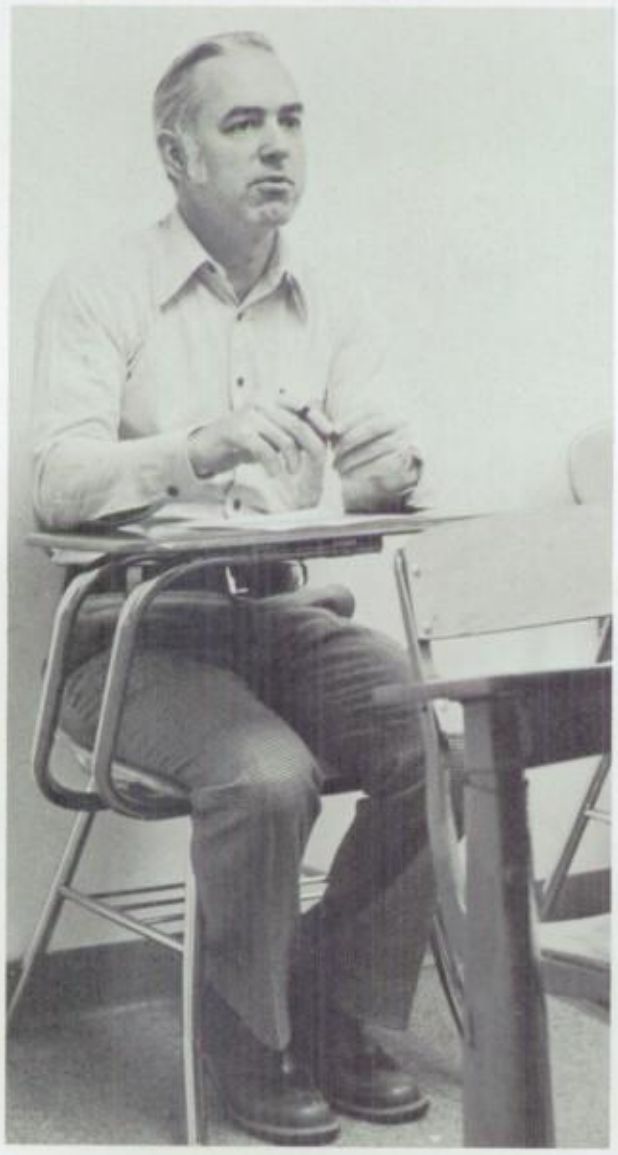
Lori Cartledge was selected to spend her 1976 summer in Sydney, Australia. She said, "It was really neat to be able to live in a foreign country and attend school. It enabled me to see how different, yet similar, people around the world think and act."

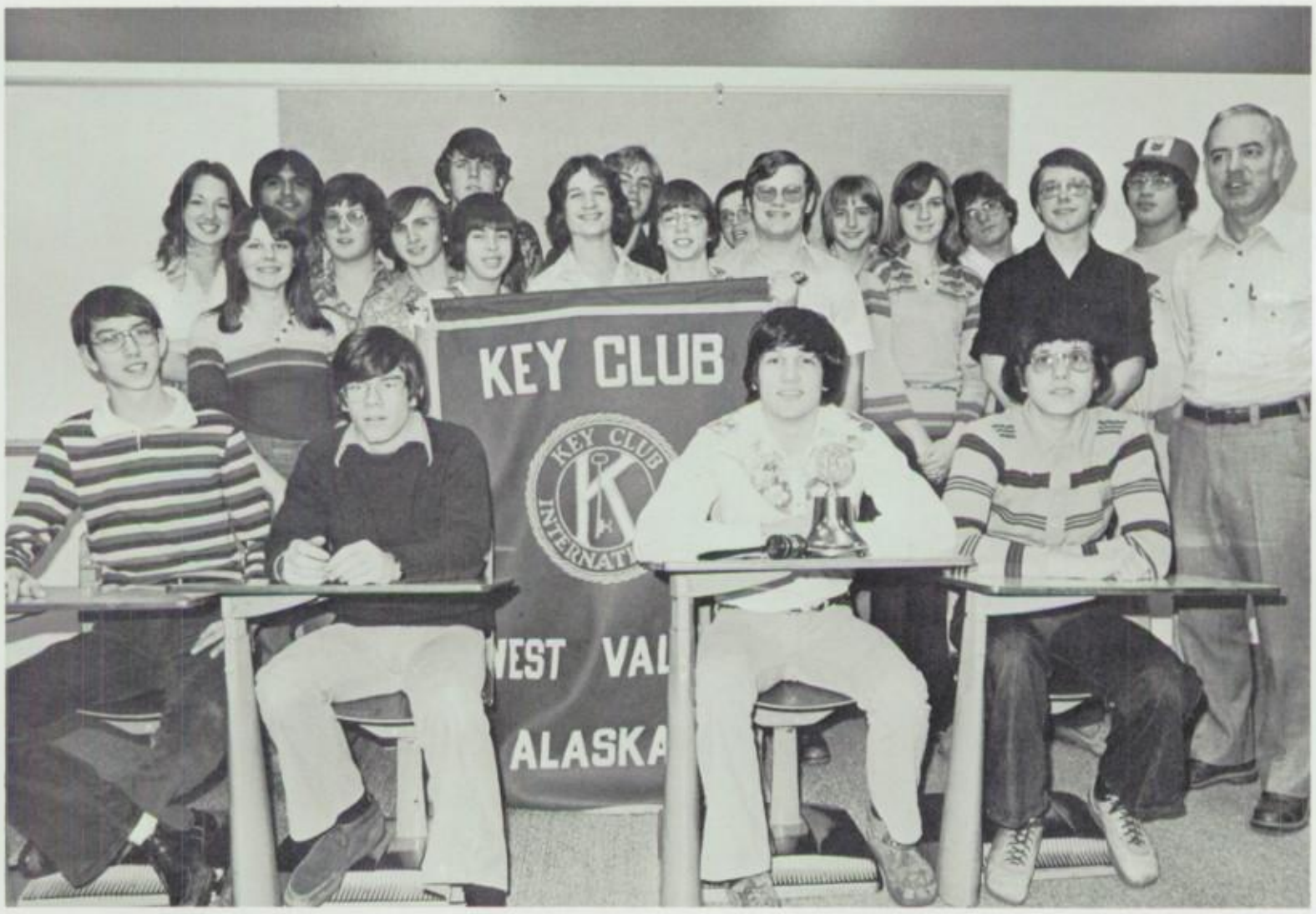
Key Club Comes Alive

The Key Club is a service organization for the community and school. Sponsoring such fund raisers as the March of Dimes ski-a-thon, selling raffle tickets for the Special Olympics, and making monthly visits to help needy children around Fairbanks, the twenty members stayed very busy this year.

Working with advisor, Robert Sprague, and President, Ed Randolph; Vice President, Monty Smith; Secretary, Ed Lambert; and Treasurer, Greg Pirie; Members Opened the new Key Hole and catered to the needs of West Valley students.

The annual district convention was held in Oregon during the spring of 1976 and the club was proud of the election of Drake Selmer as District Treasurer for the year. Congratulations for a job well done, Key Clubbers!





ROW ONE, LEFT TO RIGHT: Secretary, Ed Lambert; Vice Pres., Monty Smith; Pres., Ed Randolph; Treasurer, Greg Pirie; ROW TWO, L TO R: Stacey Schallock, Bill Thompson, Mike Cooney, Richard Hicks, Ken Elbert, Dave Lindeman, Missie Benson, District Treasurer, Drake Selmer; Advisor, Robert Sprague; ROW THREE, L TO R: Allison Foltz, Jack Piza, Fred Randolph, Eric Patton, Lance Gilmer, Dale Wiederich, Russ Talvi, Bob Schruf, and Homer Lord.

Wizardry Abounds

Just materializing this year, the West Valley Science Club is divided into two separate groups. Under the aid of advisor, Deborah Pomeroy, Ed Lambert chairs the Biology group, and Richard Hicks chairs the Physics group. With twenty members total, the biology group spent half of their time organizing the green house; which eventually served as an aid to other science classes, and research for the club. The physics group visited the University to investigate with their own rockets and telescopes.

Participants are looking forward to next year when they may once more tackle challenging science projects.

. . . And the 2x4's connected to the 4x4 . . . hoped Willie.

"Take that, you rat!" comments Florence.

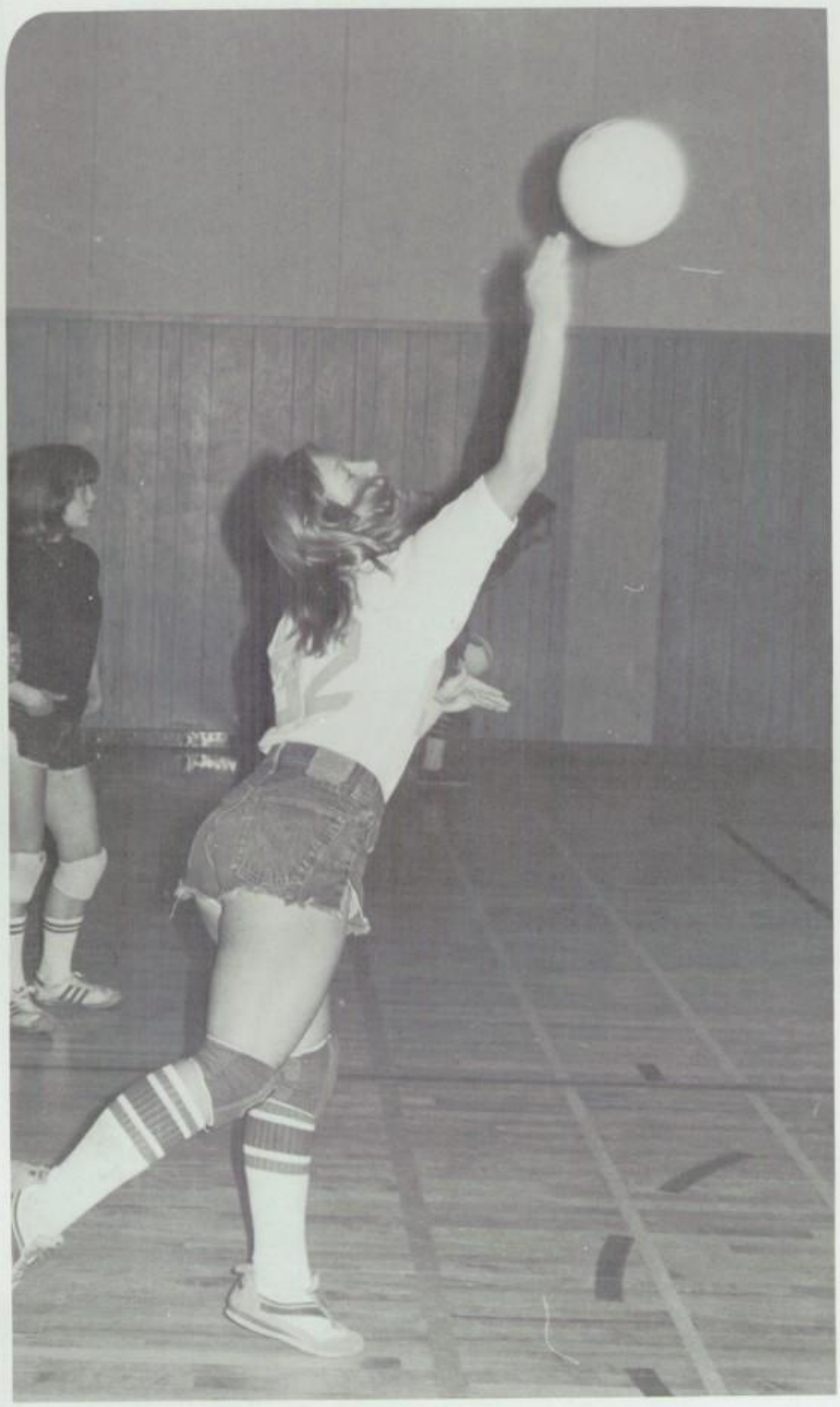
A little to the left, Julie.

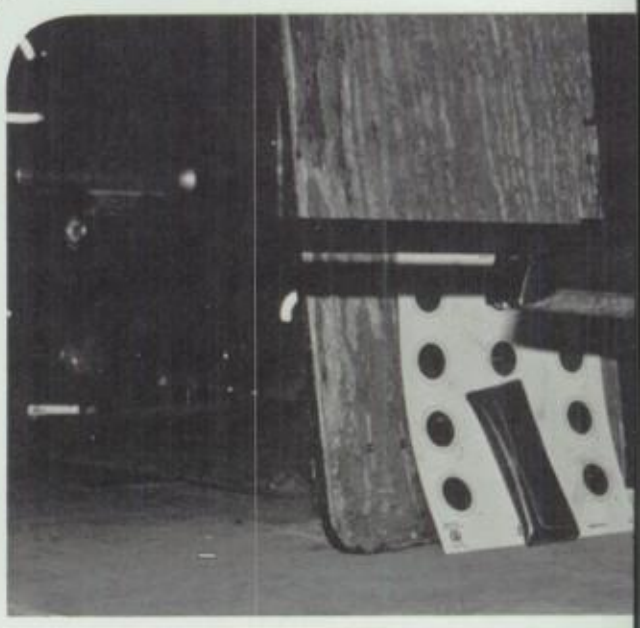
STANDING: Ms. Deborah Pomeroy, Mike Roth, Robert Franz, Richard Hicks, Drake Selmer, Willy Koo, Diane Whaley, Sonja Krejci, Julie Collins, Florence Collins. SEATED: Ed Lambert, Joni Papp.

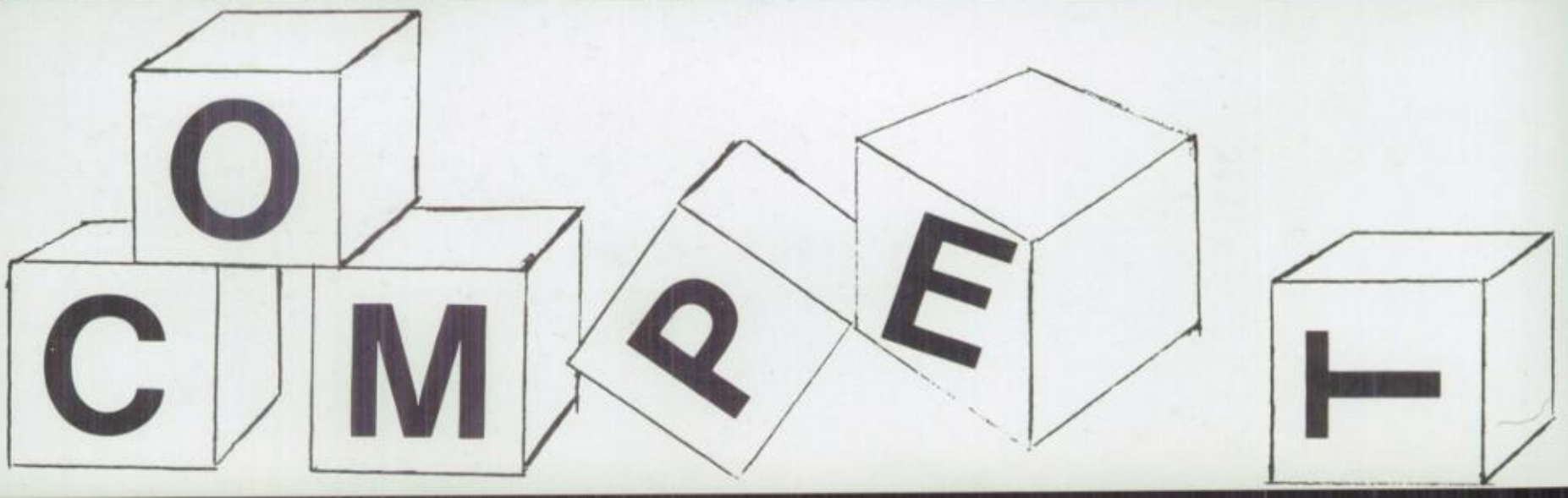
Believe It, Or Not . . .

Another newly formed club in the science field is the West Valley Science Fiction Club. Doing just what its name implies, twelve devoted members met once a week to read and discuss the latest science fiction novels. With Kathy Webb as advisor, and Brent Undereiner as main organizer, the group worked hard to complete their main project, which was a time capsule they gave to West. Other activities were films that were shown by the club and the appearance of two members on the "Fairbanks Today" show.

BACK ROW: Gina Medaris, Jennifer Gibson; FRONT ROW: Susan Jones, Jeff Gedney, Kathy Webb, Jim Klaich, Richard Tremarello; NOT PICTURED: Lenita Sheridan, Brent Undereiner, John Pennebaker, Sui Brown.



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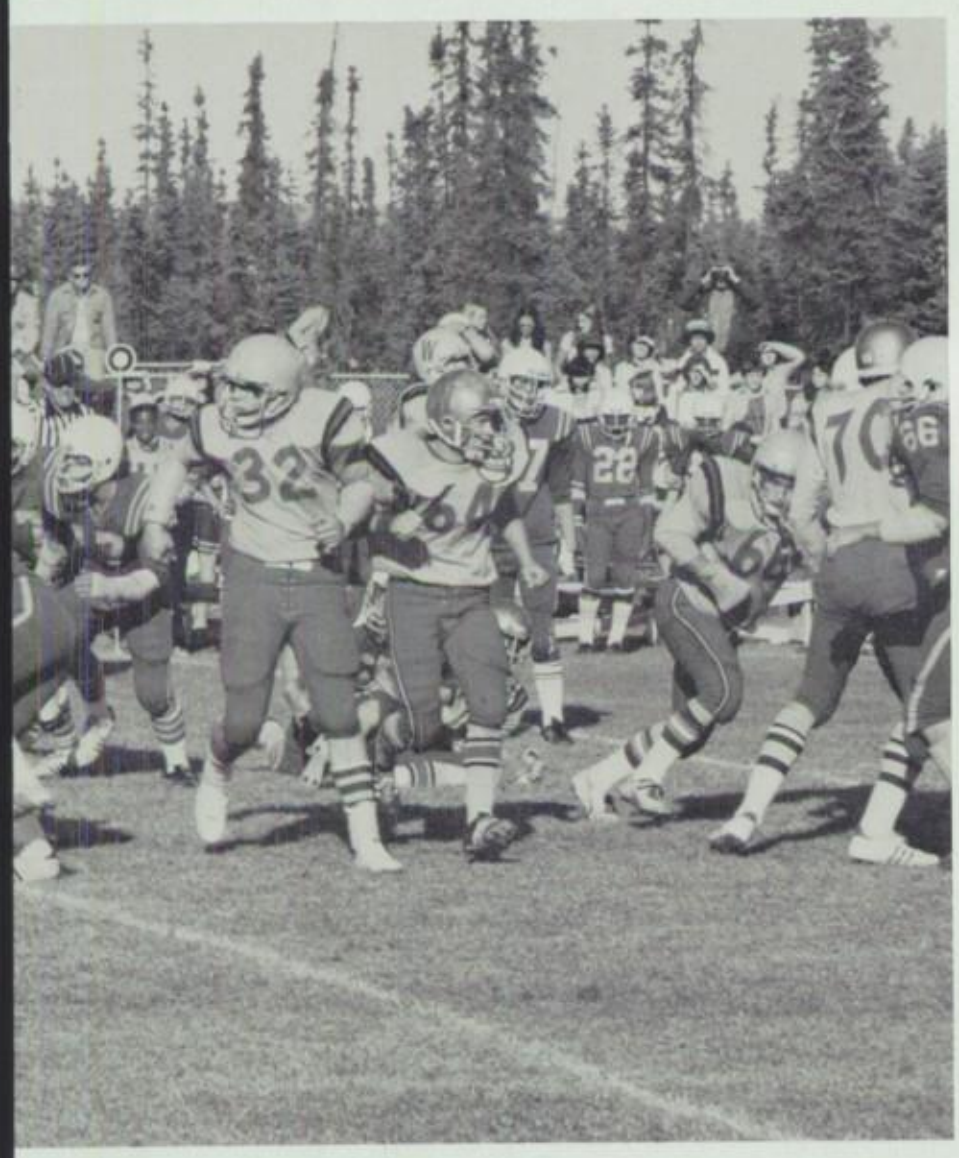

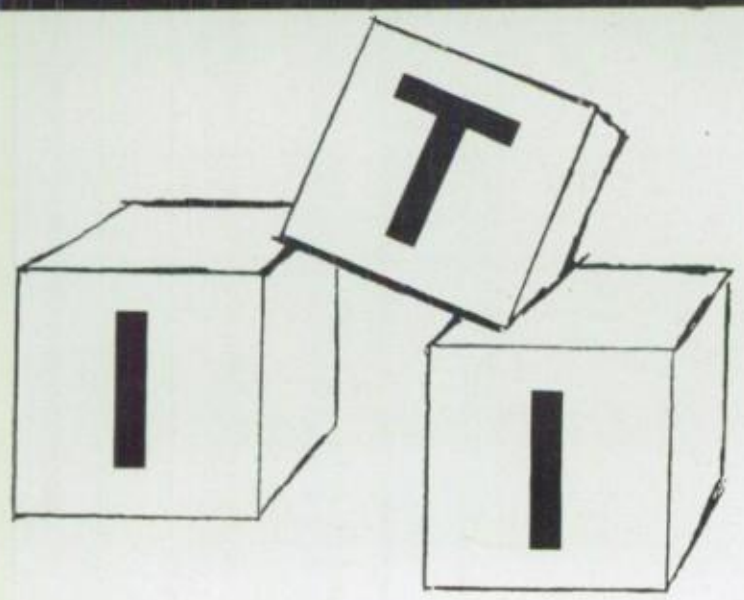
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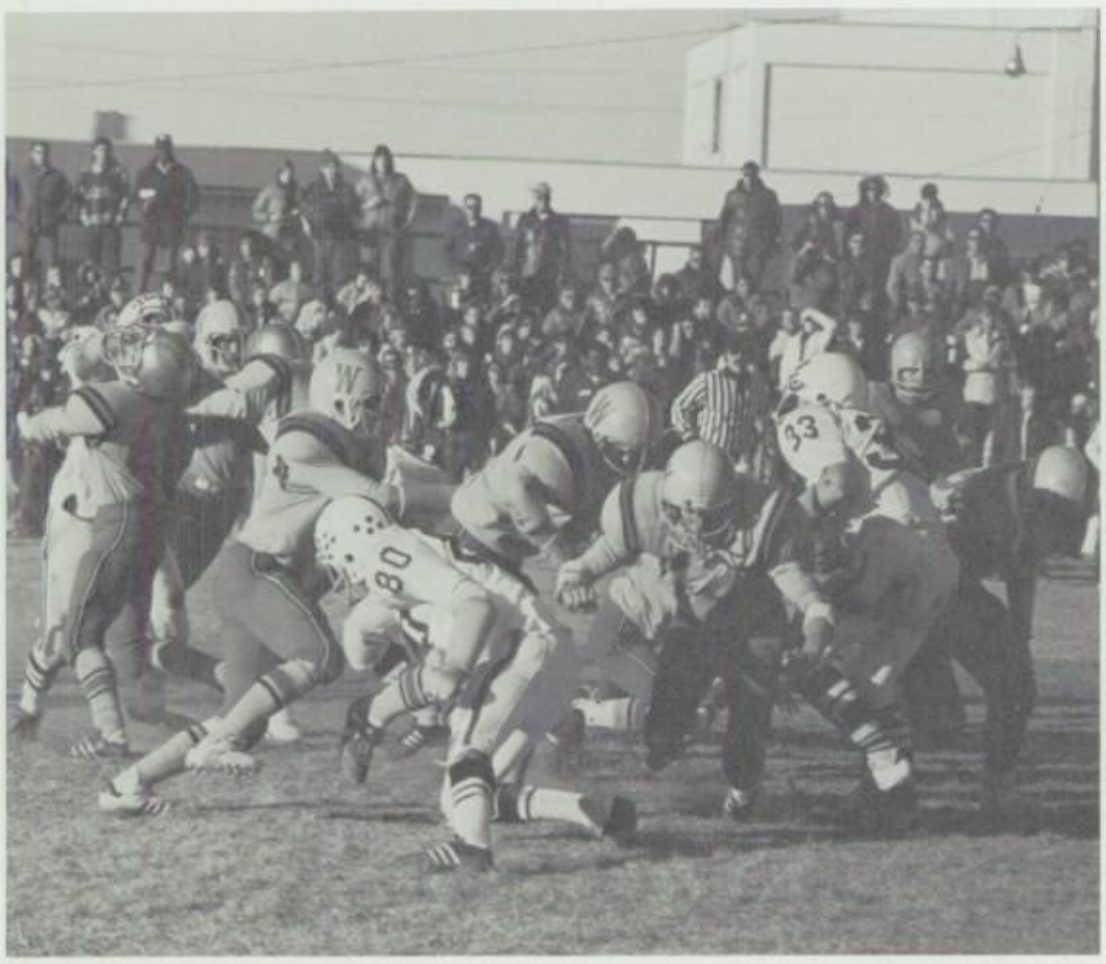
Down, Set, Hut-Hut . . .!

ROW #1: Homer Lord, Mike Dunshie, Steve Gavora, Gary Lambert, Phil Sauer, Chris Wallace, and Robert Henzler. ROW #2: Mike Burud, Coach Caciari, Tracey Smith, James Carlyle, John Burns, Dave Lindemann, Trent Venters, Coach Klepper, and Clay Wallace. ROW #3: Coach Dubowski, Andy Holman, Dan Murakami, Dave Kardanoff, Jack Piza, Gary Holman, Buster Culver, Steve Burbeck, Richard Jennings, Coach DeLeon. ROW #4: Rudy Gavora, Don McCumby, Scott McCumby, John Garvey, Gene Brown, Chet Adkins, Bobby Payne, and John Pontius.

Football for West Valley this year was truly fine. Winning all but two games, West Valley made it to second place in the Region VI Conference.

Proving their superiority and outstanding ability the Wolfpack led the way through a challenging season. The greatest moment was, of course, the defeat of arch-rival Lathrop High School.

Many of the great players were underclassmen this past year and will be with the Wolfpack next year. Of the upperclassmen, Coach DeLeon feels the seniors were terrific in their playing and leadership. Next year, #1!



Running Over Hill and Dale

ROW 1, LEFT TO RIGHT: Lynn Melavik, Sally Sherman, Keith Hannemann, Stacey Schallock, Micky Schruf, Cris Coleman, Jackie DeLany; ROW 2, LEFT TO RIGHT: Terry DeVries, Mark McWhirter, Matt Burdick, Jim Lokken, Ann DeVries, Missie Benson, Paula Lotspeich, Miguel LaFleur; ROW 3, LEFT TO RIGHT: Jim Dalley, Leo Lemon, Dan Holmgren, Coach Sprague.

"Please Coach--no more."

Cross Country running this year started in mid-August and the folks ran through to the end of September.

Super runner, Paula Lotspiech, ran through the front line in first place almost every meet. John Garvey and Leo Lemon tied this past '76 running season as top runners.

As the state tournament neared, five West Valley dashers were chosen to race in Sitka. Although the team didn't outrun last year's records, the cross country team's general improvement was evident.

Valley Volleyers Volley

With a cry of BUMP, SET, and SPIKE coming from the Ryan gym, you knew that the girls' volleyball season was on. This group of spirited girls had a bit of difficulty in that the new West gym was not yet completed at the beginning of the season. With self-supplied transportation the girls arrived every evening at 6:00 P.M. so that their winning sport could be exercised.

FRONT ROW; Nevette Bowan, Mrs. Scanlon, Porcia Fenton, SECOND ROW; Therese Viator, Stacey Schallock, Kathy Pagh, THIRD ROW; Bernice Burns, Ann DeVries, Rochelle Mattlock, Debbie Townsend, BACK ROW; Marcia Fenton, Missie Benson, Theresa Sullivan, Gulay Erbil, and NOT PICTURED; Allison Foltz.

ABOVE; A winning set from Kathy.
CENTER; Decisions!
BELOW; Teammates anticipate Stacey's almighty bump.

Varsity Cheerleaders

Sponsored by Marcia Snyder and captained by Dorothy Miles, the Varsity Cheerleading squad of West Valley lead the school in spirit at many sports events. These girls gave a show of some excellent cheers added with a touch of acrobatics at many varsity sports. Since four of these ladies are Seniors this team is giving all it has, and that is a lot.

Julie Howell doing her "stuff".

Talking about . . . SOUL! LEFT TO RIGHT: Debbie Tyner, Cindy Hawkins, Julie Burud, Julie Howell, Debbie Desrocher, and Dorothy Miles.

Cindy Hawkins, what a Wolf! Or is it Fox?

West Cheerleaders during football season.

Cindy Hawkins, what a Wolf! Or is it Fox?

Junior Varsity Cheerleaders

West Valley has a fine group of spirit leaders to develop for future years in the Junior Varsity Cheerleaders. These young ladies were selected by a group of teachers who judged them by their ability, personal appearance, voice quality, ability to cheer, and floor presence. Each girl was also required to perform their own individual cheer which they created themselves.

TOP TO BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Marcie Hassebroek, Miki Piza, Lynda Foster, Kris Washelski, and Tammy Koerfer.

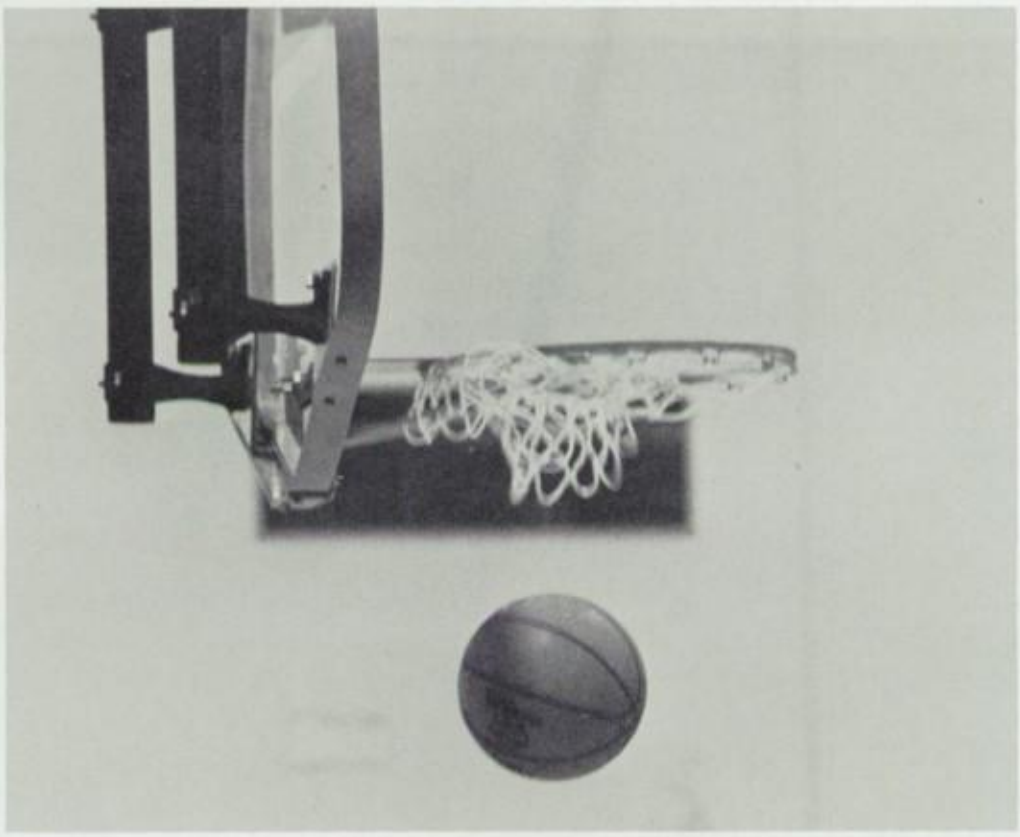
Valley Cagers Hustle the Hoop

KNEELING - LEFT TO RIGHT: Coaches DeLeon and Shoats.
STANDING: Sui Len Brown, Miguel LaFleur, Bruce Bialka, Jim Jones, Rudy Gavora, Mike Zahare, John Garvey, Andy Holman, Tom Monaco, Bob Andresen, Mike Armstrong, and Porcia Fenton.

The Varsity Boys Basketball Team has undergone some major changes this past year. Such as school boundary changes which forced a couple of players to go to Lathrop, while the event of the age old ritual of graduation created the loss of a few more varsity players. This combined with many new and younger faces on the team, may be the reason behind the average win record.

Working hard is the thing to do on this team. Working hard on running, shooting, passing, dribbling, etc... Out there in the front instructing them was coach Ted DeLeon, who was not by any means a push over, but a hard working coach. Two other members of the team in the background were managers, Sui Brown and Porcia Fenton, who taped the games as well as kept score.

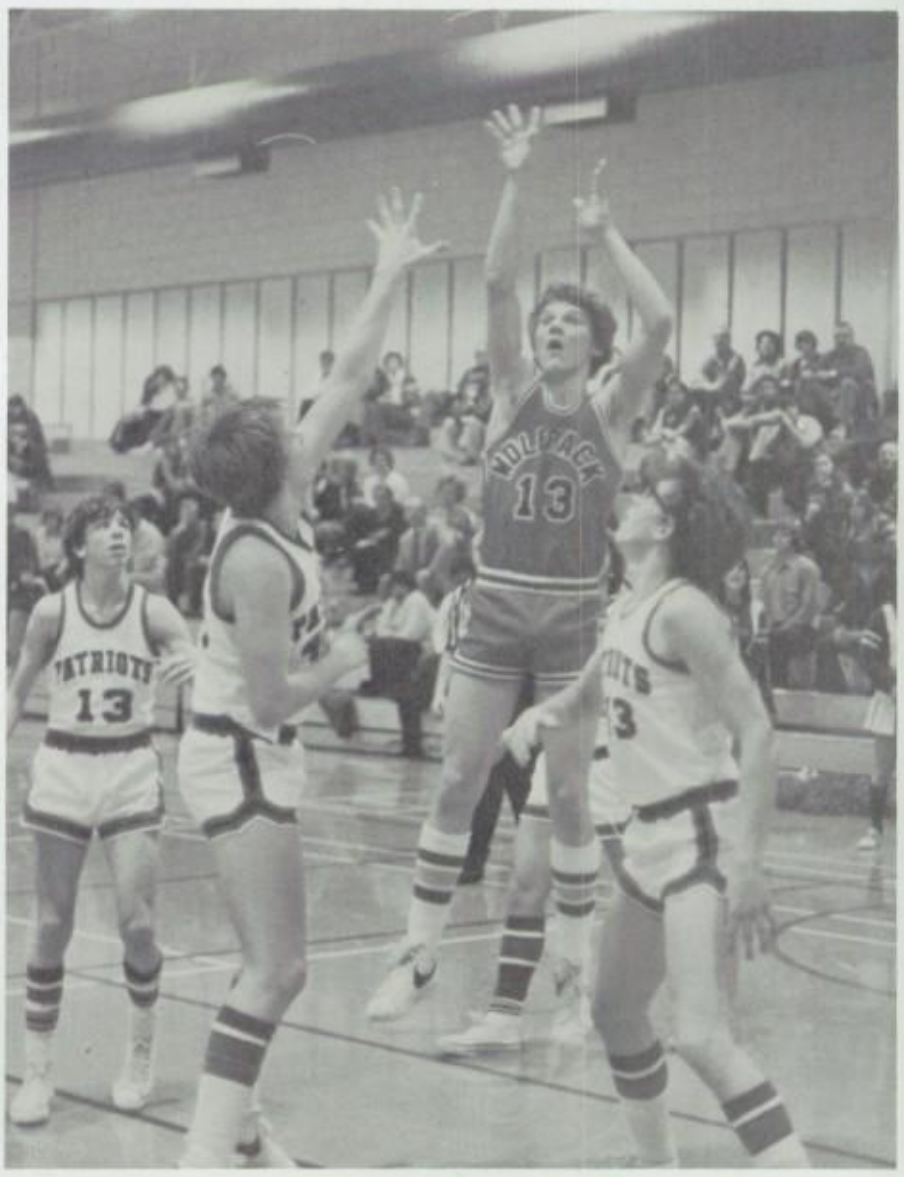
It was all worth it in the end, though, when the Malemutts were put in the doghouse on January 28th.



Junior Varsity—One More Step

The J.V. Basketball Team this year was a very devoted team. Many of the players began on the freshman-sophomore team and a couple were elevated to the Varsity team, a few even played both J.V. and Varsity ball. Whatever team they played on they showed effort and teamwork. When they played J.V. with Al Shoats as coach they showed a desire to win and did just that.

LEFT TO RIGHT: Manager Sui Brown, Miguel LaFleur, Bruce Bialka, Jim Jones, Pete VanFlein, Fred Coleman, Tom Monaco, Bob Andreson, Matt Burdick, Mike Flodin, Kent Moneymaker, and Manager Porcia Fenton. KNEELING: Coach Al Shoats.



Frosh-Soph Team Will Return to Conquer

STANDING - LEFT TO RIGHT: Dan Beecher, Joe Cowles, Brad Shira, Mike Ashton, Kent Moneymaker, Reuben Cowles, Richard Tremerello, Tom Monaco, Terry DeVries, Jim Klaich, Danny Hernandez, and Robby Magneson. KNEELING: Coach Joe Caiciari.

The Freshman Boys Basketball Team started off their basketball career early in high school. Playing local frosh teams, as well as travelling ones, they received a strong record of wins. They had advantages of height, shooting accuracy, as well as their spirit to win. Coach Joe Caciari is said to be a calm and reassuring coach and when he is upset, you can see it in his eyes.

As far as this group of players are concerned, their future on the court is "together".

Look at that form.

LEFT TO RIGHT: BACK ROW: Assistant Coach, Karen Hagglund; Jackie Delany, Marcia Fenton, Dawn Borjassen, Marilyn Childers, Shelby Hutton, Melissa Benson, Ann DeVries, Micky Schruf, Coach, Don Klepper. BOTTOM ROW: Pam Martin, Mary VanHoomissen, Stacey Schallock, Paula Lotspeich, and Manager, Therese Viator.

Dribbling on to Victory

Basketball. At the mention of this word most people think of boys' varsity basketball, but there is another group of excellent team players. This is the Girls Varsity Basketball Team. With as many wins as Coach Don Klepper's, team has under their belt it is evident that he has a team of very talented players.

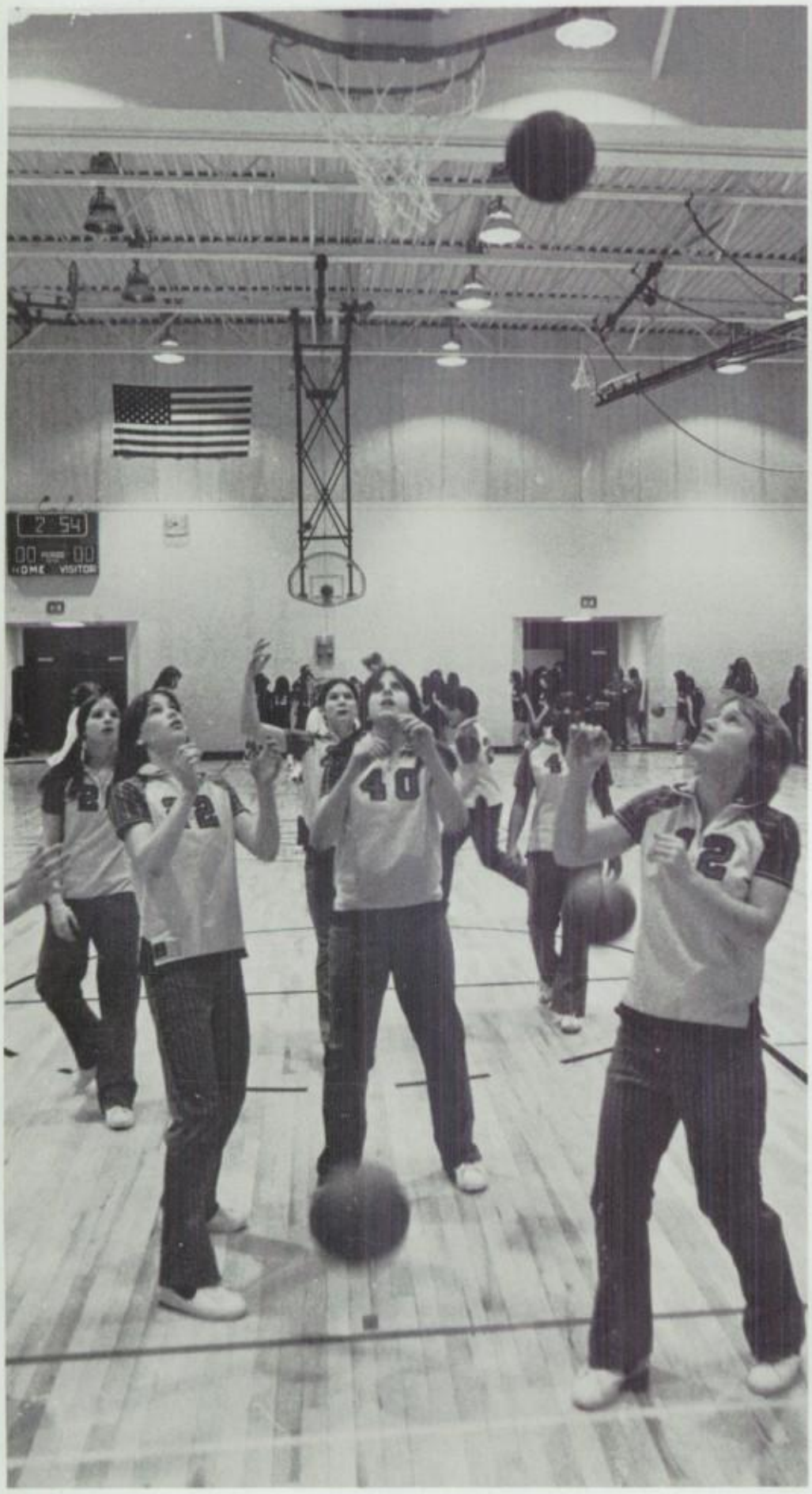
As a varsity team, they make up a group of fast running girls who are feared by opponents for their ability to run a whole game full speed while their adversary runs out of spunk by half time. Putting aside blisters, sore ankles, and backs, they put out 100% at practice and 211% during games.

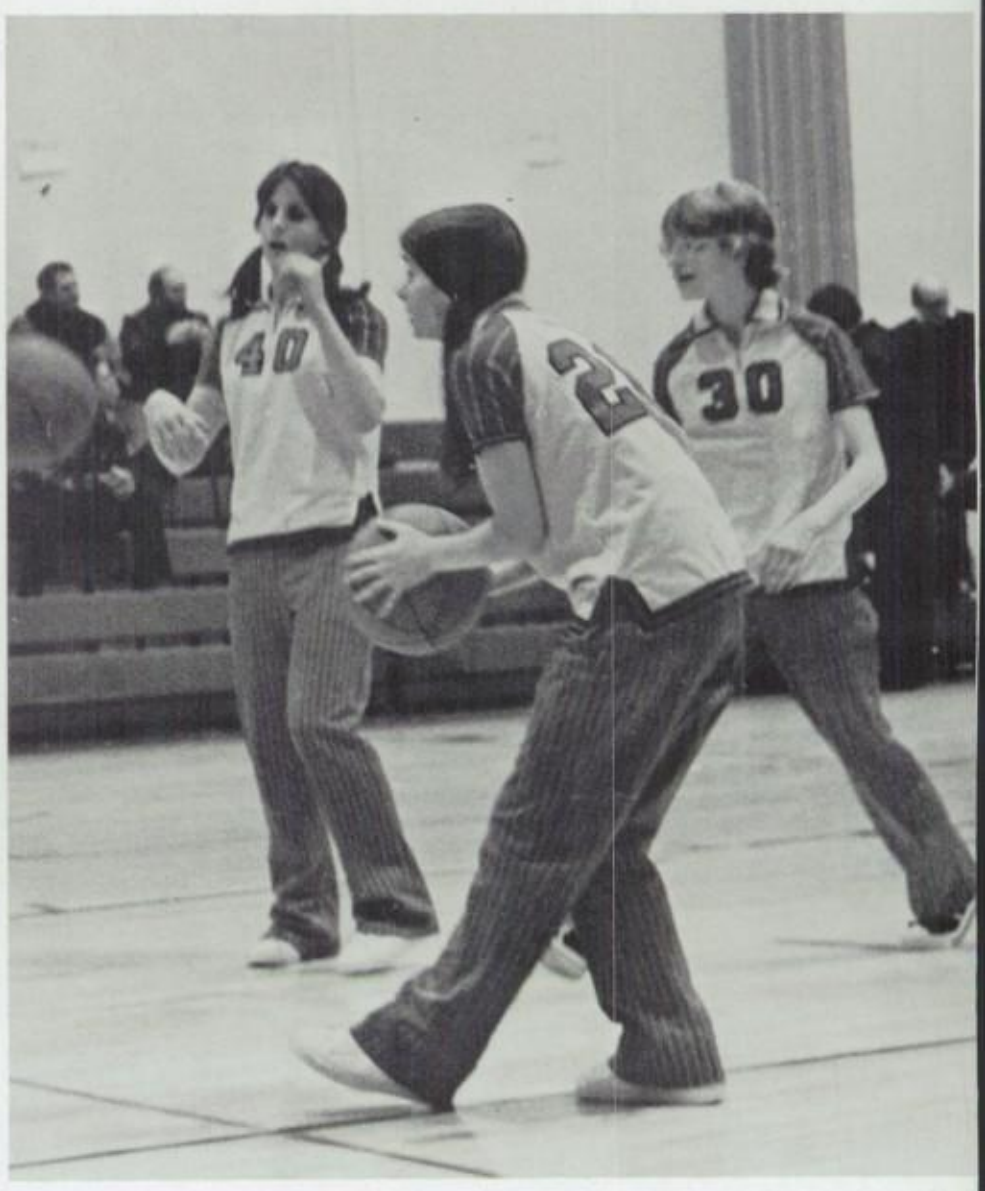
In the background, Karen Hagglund, and manager, Therese Viator, helped by doing the "dirty work" so that the Wolfpack Girls Team could devote all their practice time to shooting, running, rebounding...

Shootin's the name of the game.

Dribbling on to Varsity

At the try-outs for the girls basketball team at least 35 girls dreamed of being in the varsity team. Out of all these, only 12 were selected; however, there was potential in many of the other girls so a J.V. team was formed. As the season went on, the dreams turned to nightmares as it became evident that Coach Don Klepper was not Content to have a soft team. As a result of this, a majority of the J.V.'s quit the team, but the tough stayed on and went on to become the depth on the bench as well as the hope for the future.





Clear the way. Mary's coming through!

Nothing like a winning smile from Tracy!

Enthusiasts Support Hockey

STANDING: Melinda Howard; Tracy Johnson; Karen Costen; Tanya Gilbert; Ellen Evans.
SEATED: Cheryl Wilhelm; Kristen Lloyd; Rochelle Matlock.

From last year's "Hockey Hustlers," to this year's "Gold and Reds," seven enthusiastic girls joined to form a squad for the mighty Wolfpack Hockey Team. Standing in below freezing weather, jumping and yelling to stay warm, these girls were present at every Region VI hockey event, cheering the team on to victory. Each girl financed her own bright uniform, and continually demonstrated the boundless enthusiasm and unending spirit of West Valley High.

Hopes for having try-outs next year and forming an official cheerleading squad, advisor Bonnie Baker looks forward to the future.

We sure know how Timona feels.

Maids Boost Spirit

Working together with nine girls, Helen Desinger advised a great group of Matmaids this year. Required to take a test concerning their knowledge of wrestling, these girls also have to maintain good grades and be quite skillful in the art of cuttin' oranges! That being their first priority at wrestling matches, they also serve tea, chocolate, and keep score. Their weekly bake sales earned enough money for them to keep up with their expenses, and they also brightened the halls by decorating the wrestler's lockers!

The future looks bright for this organization, and we wish them the very best of luck!

STANDING: Helen Desinger; Lauri Code; Brenda Thompson; Nancy Anderson.
KNEELING: Josh Gannon; Rhonda Burkes; Stephanie Childress; Timona Peeters; Yvonne Robinson; Nanette Davis.

Hustling Hockey Heroes

If you have been a spectator at one of their many games this year, you know that our Hockey Team is Top-Notch! They were an undefeated team throughout Region VI, and their search for more competition resulted in a few additional victories over Men's League Teams within the area.

The eighteen team members and Coach, Marlo Miller, made a trip to Anchorage in February, and also participated in hosting the State Tournament in March. Their daily practices were well worth the effort, and the team is looking forward to next year when more travel time will be allotted!

The almighty Pucksters do it again!

STANDING BELOW, L-R: Manager-Fred Randolph, 4-Kenny Atwood, 15-Tim Coiley, Captain-11-Clay Wallace, 18-Kevin Coiley, 12-Dave Borland 9-Jim Papp, 14-Cliff Rutt, 6-Mike Winters, 16-Chris Wallace, 5-Chris Fagen, Coach-Marlo Miller, Manager-Shannon Barnett, KNEELING: 1-Lance Gettle, 7-Mike Dunshie, 2-Steve Hagel, 14-John Burns, 2-Arthur Milan, 10-Jack Dunshie, 30-Eric Patten, NOT PICTURED: 9-Dwight Deeley, and 17-Pete Vournas.

An anxious opponent verses Jim Papp in a race for the puck!

It's Coach Marlo, confident of success . . .

I'll get it, Coach!

. . . or is he???

Art, in complete control!

The typical "West struggle" during a face-off!

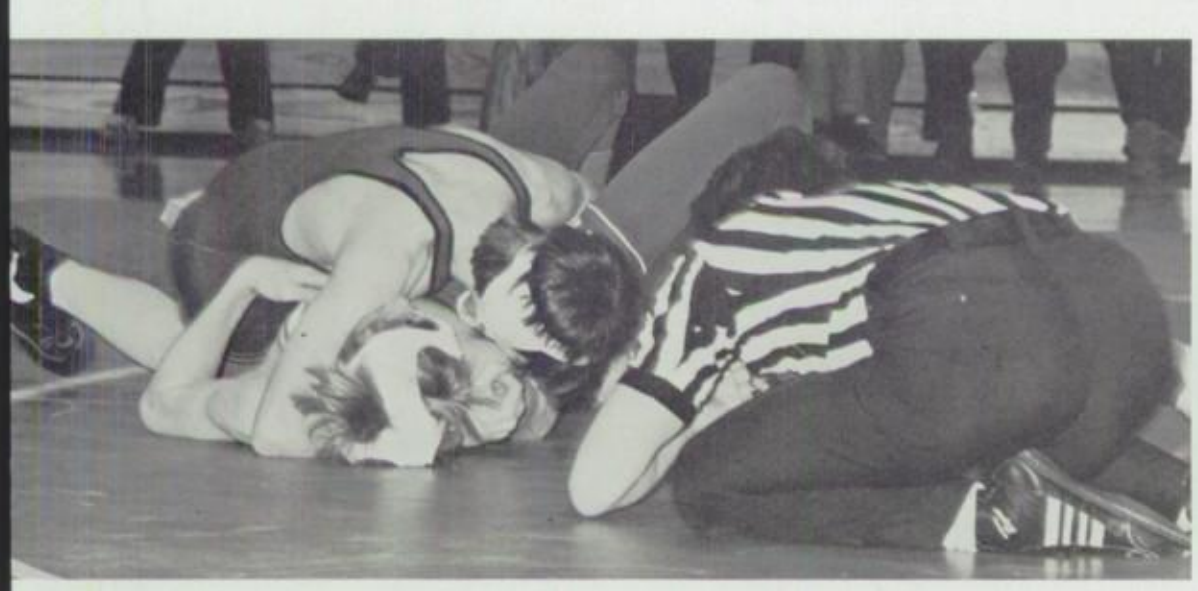
West Matmen Take 'em Down

Working hard to keep off their weight and stay in shape, West Valley's Wrestling Team did a very good job. With Charles Scott coaching the twenty members, daily practices proved to be worthwhile when the Wolf-pack was victorious meet after meet. Toppling all the teams in Region VI, West found more competition by making two trips to Anchorage during the season.

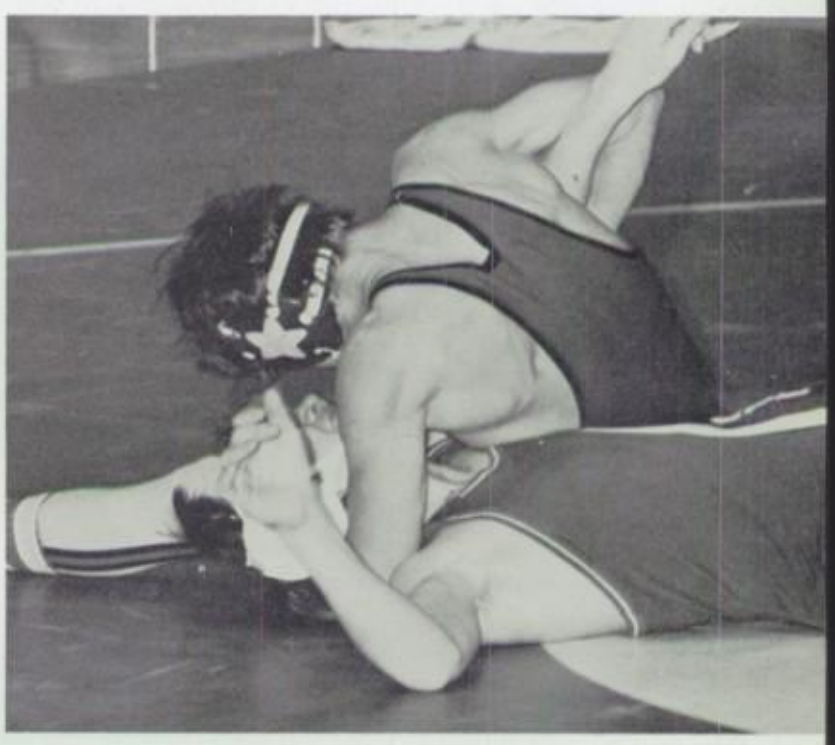
With enthusiasm high, participation looks good for next year, when West will once again take on daring competitors.

KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Bob Schruf, Bruce Merritt, Richard Pears, Wade Romans, Tim Washeleski, Tim Gaiser.

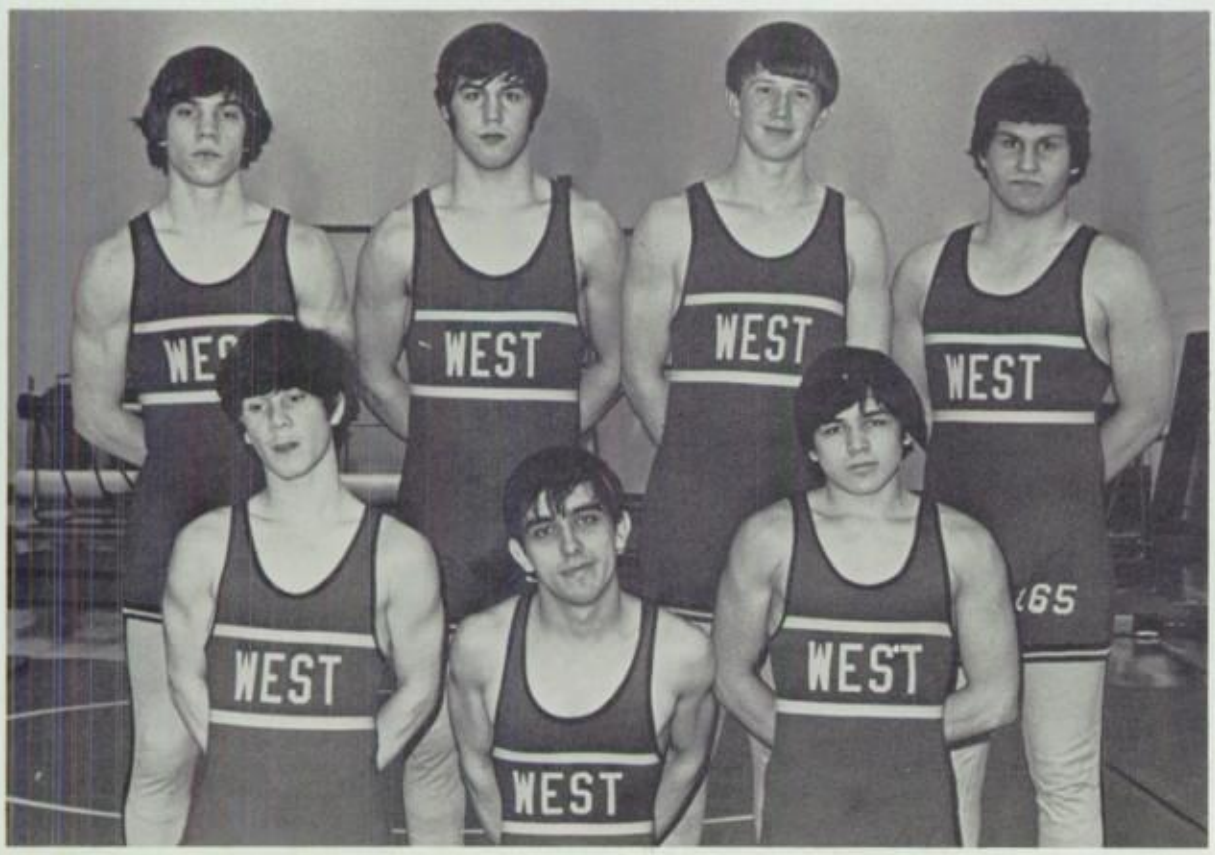
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Paul Brown, Gary Lambert, John Pontius, Dave Kardanoff, Glen Quakenbush.



Come on Ref, he's pinned!



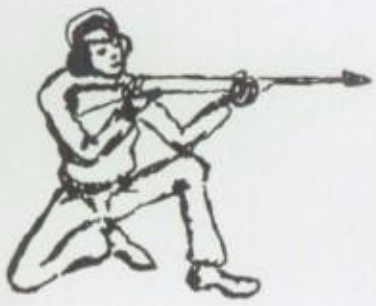
Six more points for West!



STANDING L TO R: James Carlyle Loran Quakenbush, Kip Cannon, Ted Thomas.
KNEELING L TO R: Ray Wheat, Don Sudon, Ralph Richwine.
NOT PICTURED - Dave Degen, Joe Bilko, Glen Moehlian, Marty Rawlings, Frank Santora.

Defending National Champs Take Aim

LEFT TO RIGHT BACK ROW, Bill Thompson, Monty Smith, Drake Selmer, David Lindemann, Coach Napollili, Doug Vanderbilt, Diane Caldwell, Brent England. MIDDLE ROW; Scott Colledge, Warren Christian, Lance Gilmer, Fritz Guenther, Duane Freeman, Roger Livingston, Kevin Marrs, Mike Hanchett. FRONT ROW; Colleen Wallner, Annetta Davis, Rochelle Matlock, Carla Warren, Lory Barsdate, Rene Thompson.



"We're Number 1, can't be Number 2:"

Concentration. . .

LEFT TO RIGHT; Drake Selmer, Roger Livingston, Doug Vanderbilt, Diane Caldwell.

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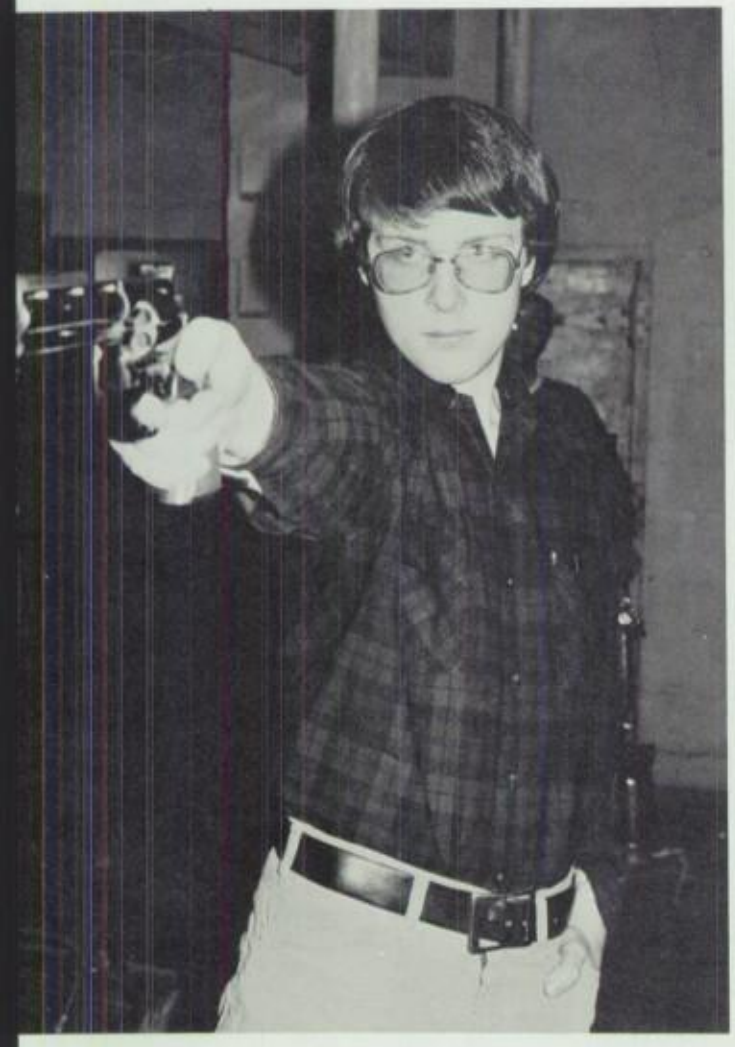


The West Valley Rifle Team is made-up of some SUPER SHOOTERS! Last year the team took first place in the nation in the conventional competition. In addition to this tremendous title, the group was able to steal the nation's second place position in the international target competition.

The 1976-77 team is supposed to be a new and fresh team with only a few returning lettermen. Although the new team lacked experience they showed great flare in their shooting this past year.

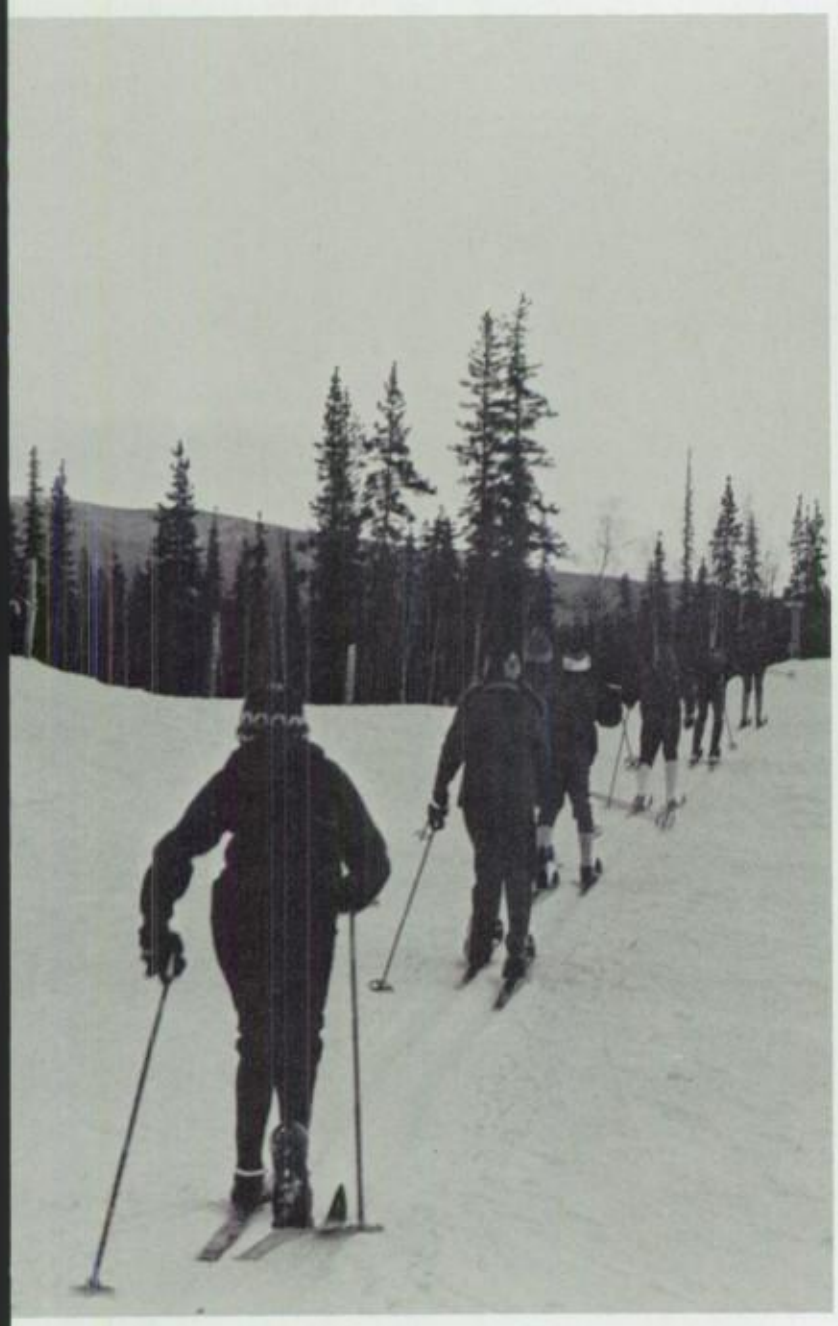
Though they were destined to find practice sites in a variety of areas the group rolled in the winning points. As the gym reached completion, so did the rifle range and it too was completed; thus, the team is now on their own ground and bound to master any other opponents---ONWARD TO GLORY THEY GO .....

Wolfpackers Slide to Victory

It's a bird! It's a plane! It's . . . ?

He didn't have his Wheaties!

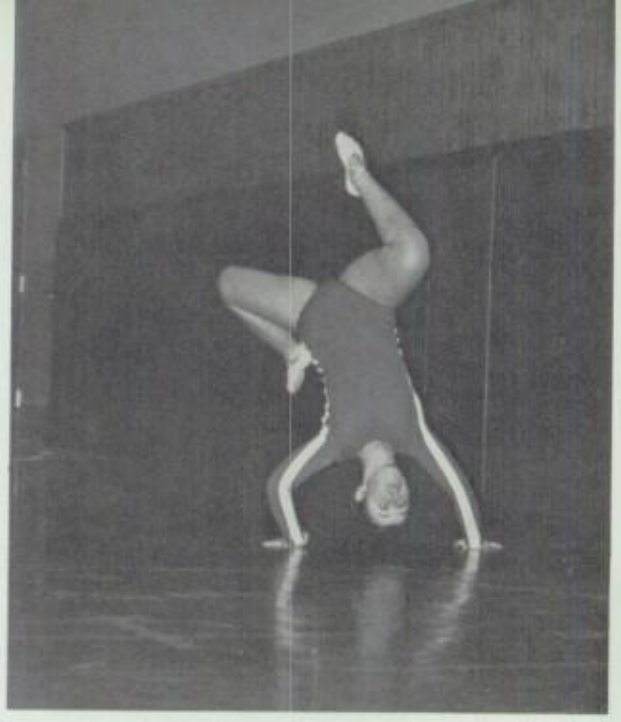
KNEELING - LEFT TO RIGHT: Mary Sackinger, Inge Deehr, Tina Deehr, Renee Dykema, Rachel Lindemann. STANDING: Charlie Koo, Herb Maschner, Jim Dalley, Coach Marianne Carlson, Dan Holmgren, Jim Lokken, and Keith Hanneman. NOT PICTURED - Rick Solie, Matthew Van Enkevort and Brenda Whisenhant.



With their Olympic choice coach, Marianne Carlson, West Valley's ski team began to show potential it had never shown before.

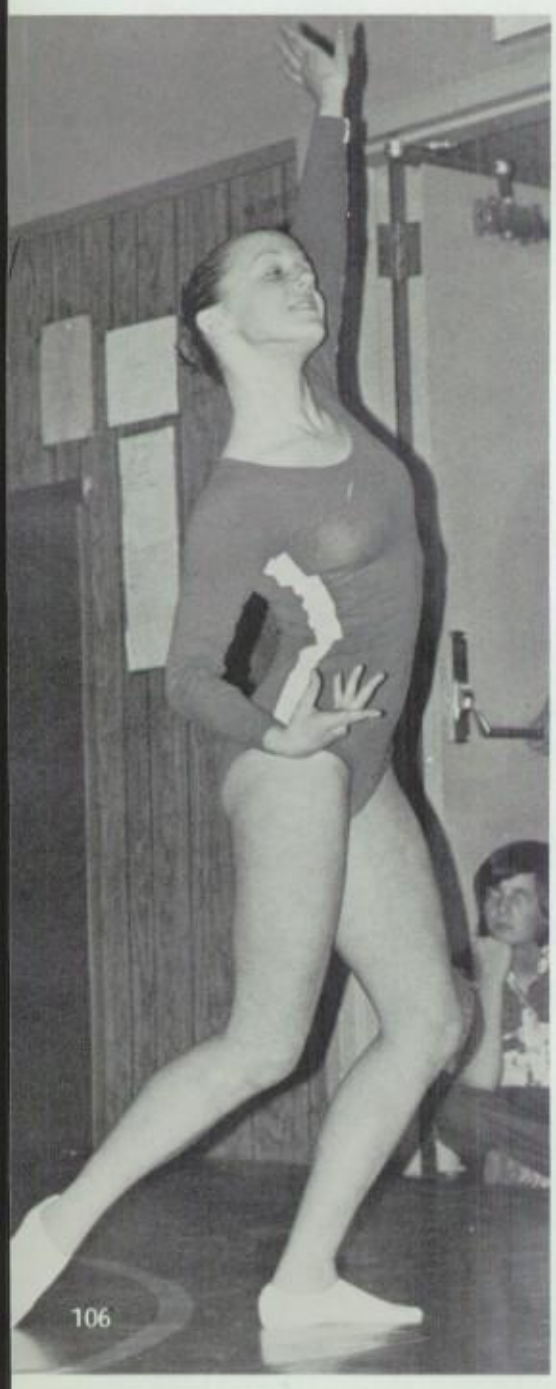
The team, a little on the young and inexperienced side of the trail, proved to be hard working and willing to put out all the energies available to make West's Cross Country Ski Team as fine as humanly possible. With the past warm winter, skiing was great--that is, when there was snow to be found. The team, although it got off to a late start, will definitely be tops by the end of the season; and the 1977-78 season ought to be fantastic for those individuals who, after a lengthy day at school, attack some 15 miles on those dependable skis.

Jump! Flip! Turn!



Under the guidance of coaches, Luanne Sweet and Suzi Patillo, eight enthusiastic girls made up this year's West Valley Gymnastic Team. With their short season only lasting from September to December, they competed in all the local gymnastic meets. Performing on the uneven bars, balance beam, vault, and floor routines, West placed in several individual events during the regional meet. Even though no travel could be made this year, high hopes are set for raising money and traveling to the State Tournament in Anchorage next year!

FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: Randi Freeman, Paula Herbert, Donna Neidhold. BACK ROW: Bridgette Ercolin, Karen Hilliard, Kris Almquist, Mary Bezona.



Spirit Builders Freak-Out!

One way the 1976-77 school year at West Valley proved to be different, was its unique variation of a pep club. This was visibly shown by bright red and gold T-shirts, filled with bouncing, yelling Spirit Freaks. This Peppy group of students attended all sports activities at West, and, when possible, added a touch of Wolfpack spirit by attending games away from home.

Student organizer and leader, Tom Vredevelt, worked with advisor, Diadre Dalrymple, to raise money by selling buttons and derbies at home games and at lunch. The year was very spirited, and members are looking forward to another school year in '77.

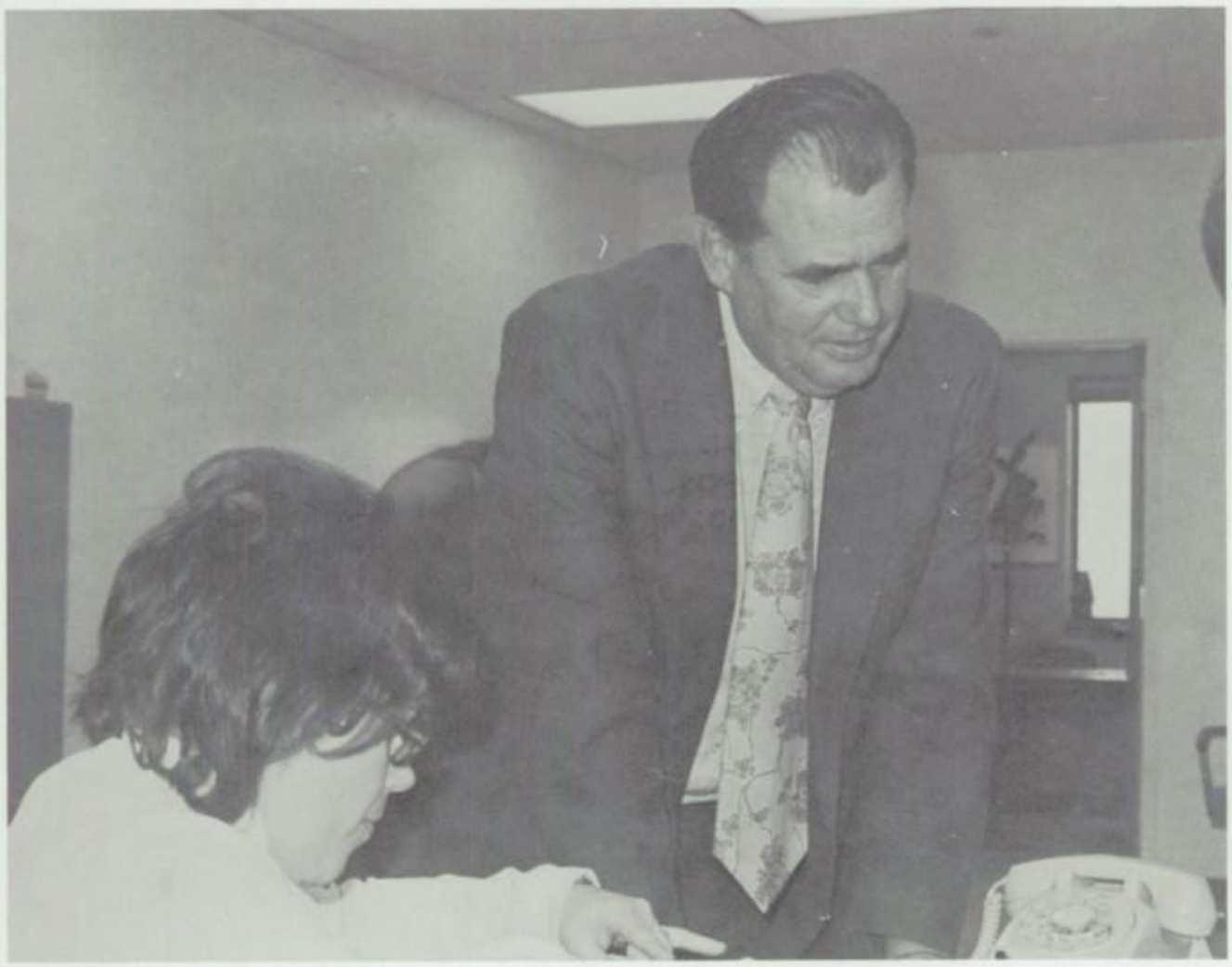
TOP BACK, LEFT TO RIGHT: Linda Winters, Melody Gray, Cindy Hawkins, Julie Van Hying, Colleen Wallner, Lorri Smith, Elaine Young, Mikki Ashton. BOTTOM BACK: Anne Rowinski, Tom Vredevelt, Dorthy Miles, Debbie Davis, Laurie Dunkin, Gloria Martin, Pam Lawson, Kristin Lloyd. FRONT: Janet Welty, Eric Young, Todd Hill, Mary VanHoomissen, Laura Winford, Mrs. Dalrymple.

THE BRASS

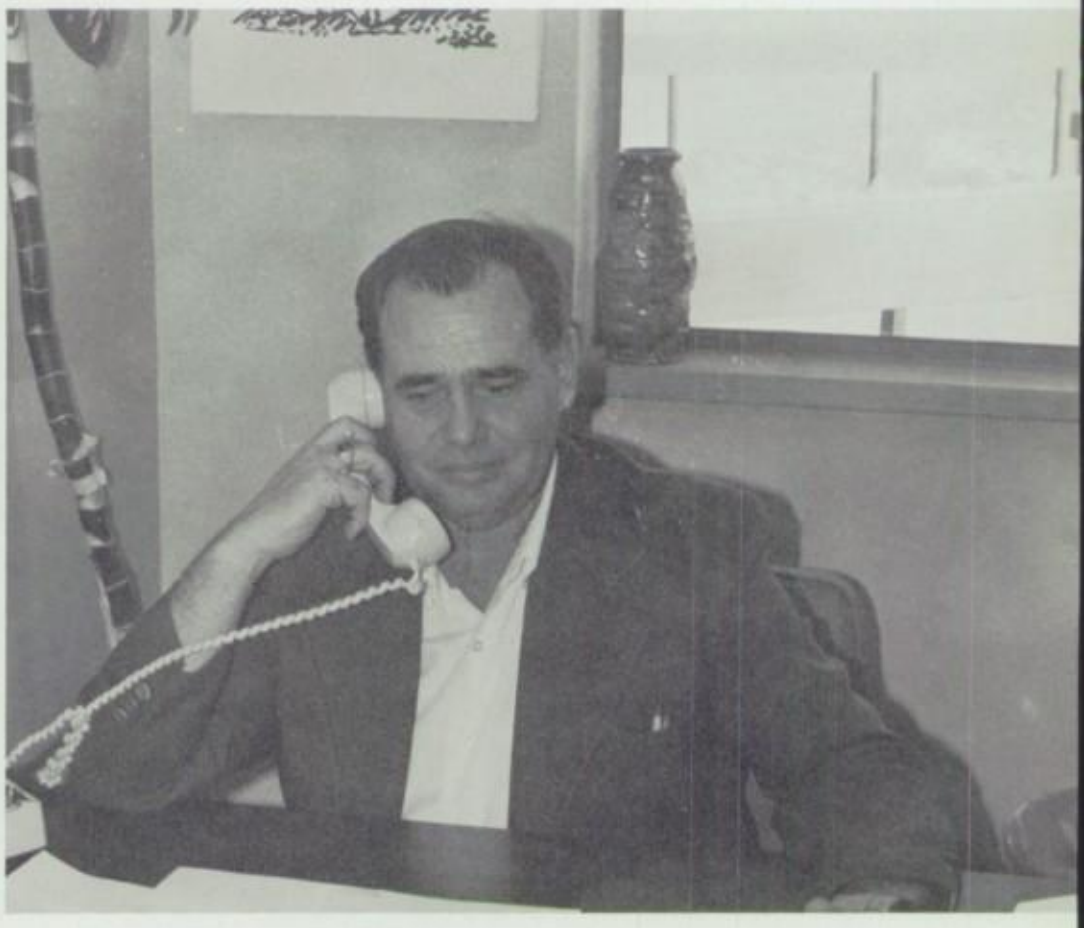
Our Fearless Leaders

Don Klepper, Principal

The two top men at West Valley are, of course, Mr. Don Klepper and Mr. Ed Shellinger. These two men show their interest and dedication to West in many ways. As their positions are demanding, so are they of their colleagues. Both are extremely aware of the needs in and about West Valley and are making truly great leaps and bounds in this area. With their oversight, West Valley's first year has been a successful one, and future years are sure to be just as grand.



Ed Shellinger, Vice-Principal



Lingo Leaders

Marcia Burnside

Barbara Philleo

Pauline Chamness

Francine Mears

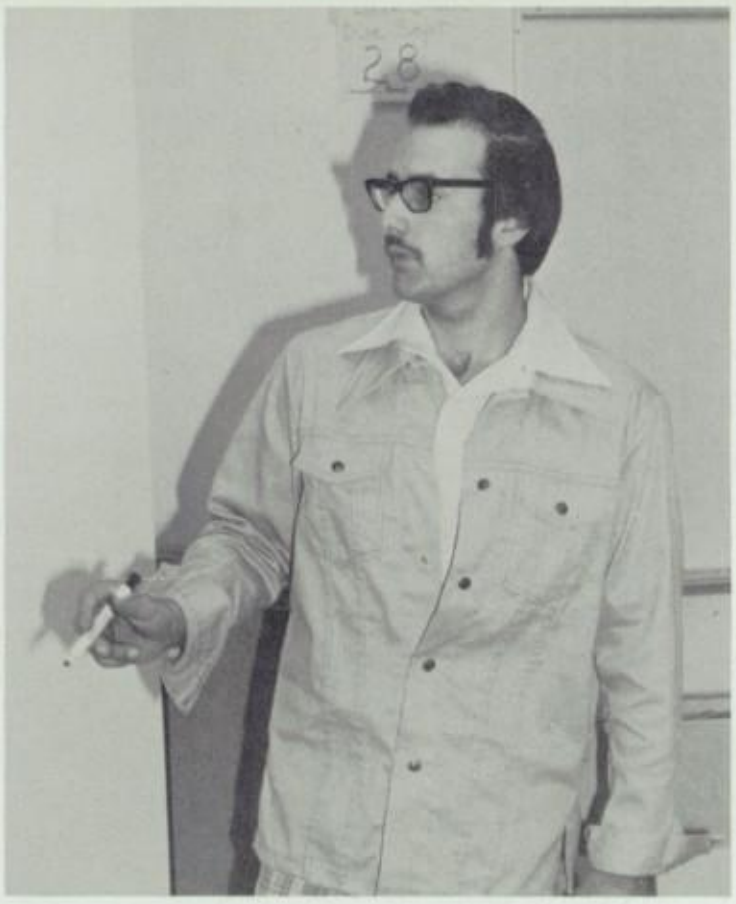
Kathy Webb

One woman you might find huddled over a light table, scoring a debate match, or making a light in her Porche is Marcia Burnside. Not only is she the sponsor of the school paper, THE BLIZZARD, she is also sponsor of the Debate Team.

Barb Philleo might be found hiking in the Brooks Range, surrounded in film or carving the West Valley Aurora Yearbook. She graduated from the U. of Oregon and enjoys Fairbanks, West Valley, and blueberries.

Kathy Webb not only has a delightful sense of humor, she is a graduate of the U of A. As a wife and mother she enjoys politics, science fiction, music, but not grading papers.

June Thayer



Evan Keil

Bonnie Baker

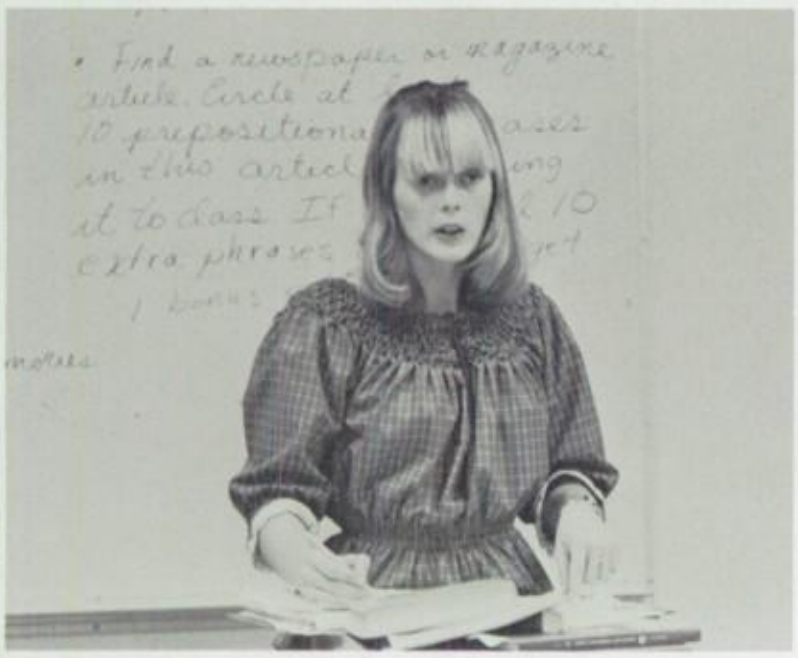
Valerie Hamilton

Lorene Finger

A graduate of Central Washington State College, June Thayer has been with West since the beginning. Although reading and grading papers are a great part of her life as a teacher at West, she still dreams of one goal... which is finding enough time to create a patchwork quilt before she is too blind to see!

As a teacher of 35 years Lorene Finger began her career with a M.A. from Greely, Colorado. Yet her life of teaching does not strangle her private life's pleasures of travelling, gardening and taking care of her delightful home.

An Alaskan Sourdough, Evan Keil is previously of Minnesota. He is an avid hunter, photographer... in general almost anything outdoors suits him!



History Comes Alive!

That bustling lady was Doris Ray the AP history teacher at West Valley. She has been highly involved with the accreditation process as "steering" committee coordinator.

Dick Korvola sponsors the West Valley Chess Club, enjoys foreign languages, reading, fishing, and economics.

Edie Green is the sponsor of student council and also shares her knowledge of American History.

Sally Allison, a lover of politics and economics, is also the sponsor of West Valley's National Honor Society.

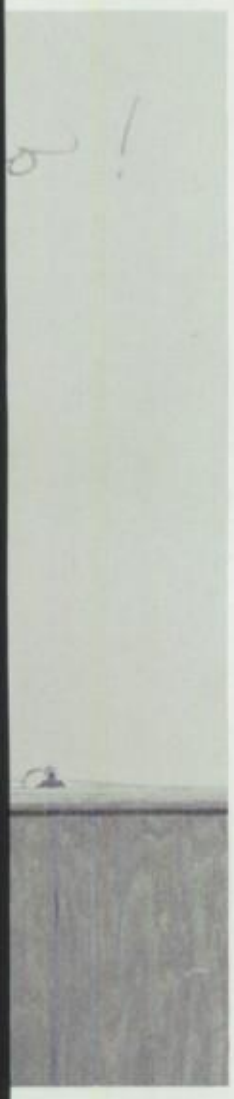
Dan Rodey is one of those bearded fellows that one might run into up in the Brooks Range. An avid hunter and photographer, Mr. Rodey is a registered guide; flying into far away places trying to catch the misleading unicorn...

Bob Shawcroft

Dick Korvola

Edie Green

Audrey Copeland



Sally Allison

Doris Ray

Mike Dubowski

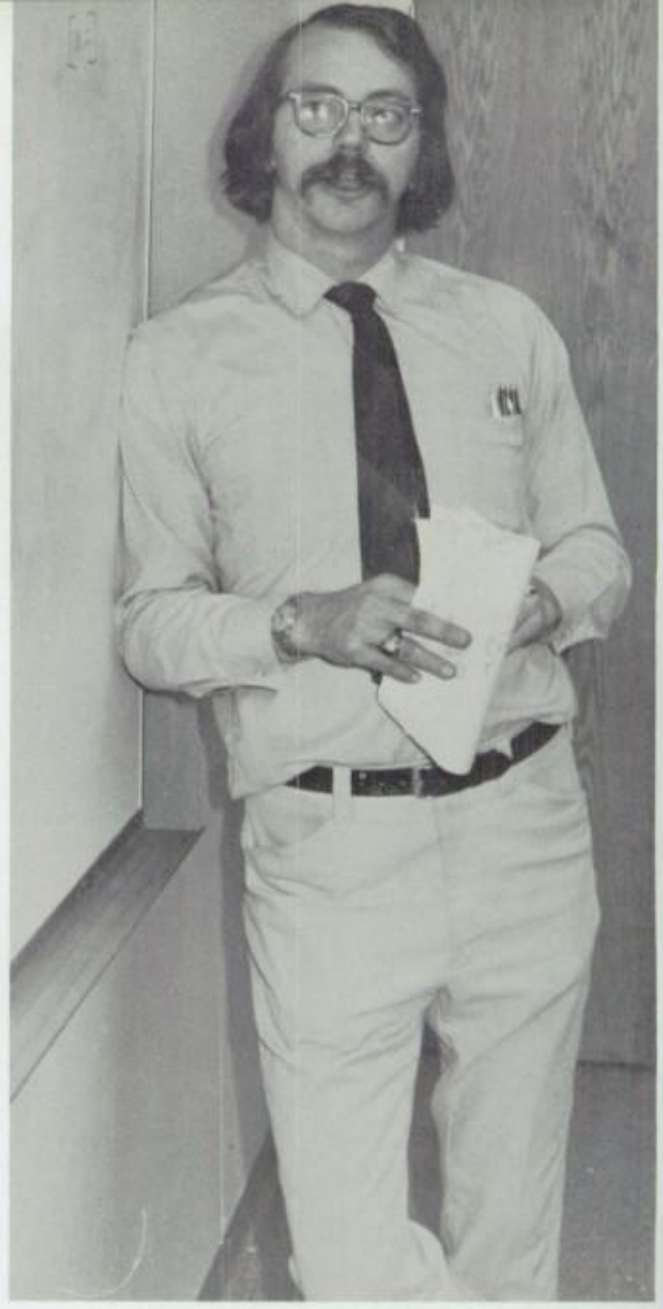
Dan Rodey

Math

Living in a round house with a totem pole stuck in the middle of your living room may bring up a question about the personality of the owner, Don DeWitt. The answer is that this math teacher is very creative and puts his creativity to use by being the Thespians' Director.

A native of Oregon, Helen Desinger has adapted well into the land of Alaska and loves it here. She went to college at South Western Oregon Community College and the University of Oregon.

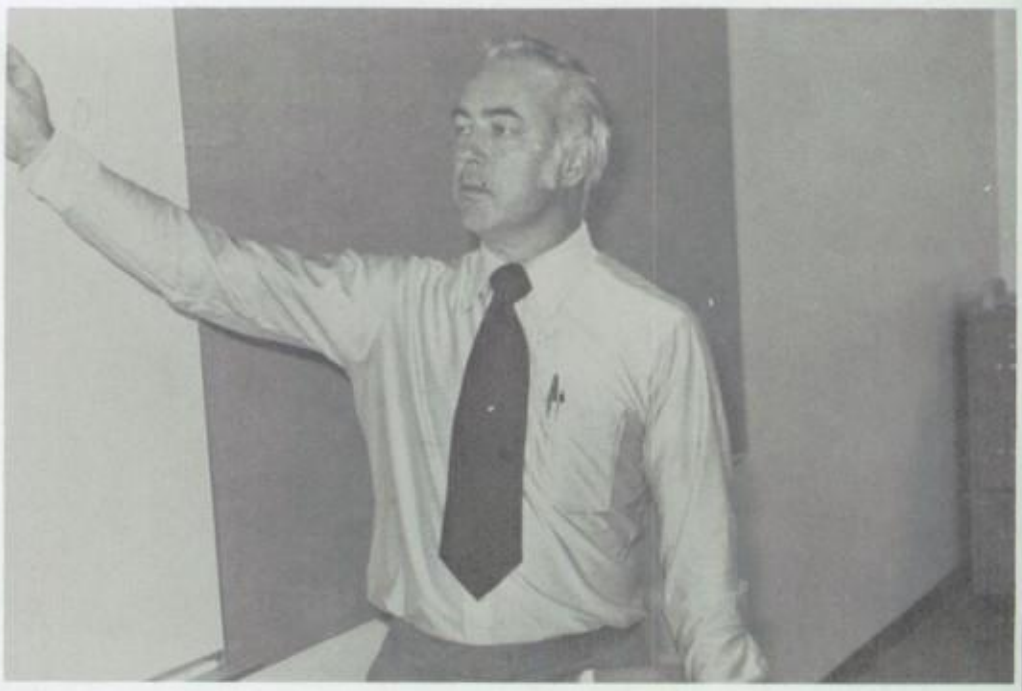
Morgan Reed



Don DeWitt

Robert Sprague

Edwina Rodriquez



Helen Desinger

Learn How . . . the Scientific Way!

Jim Walker

As Science Department head, Bill Lambert got his start at Wisconsin State University. He has a love of nature and takes part in it by being a registered guide.

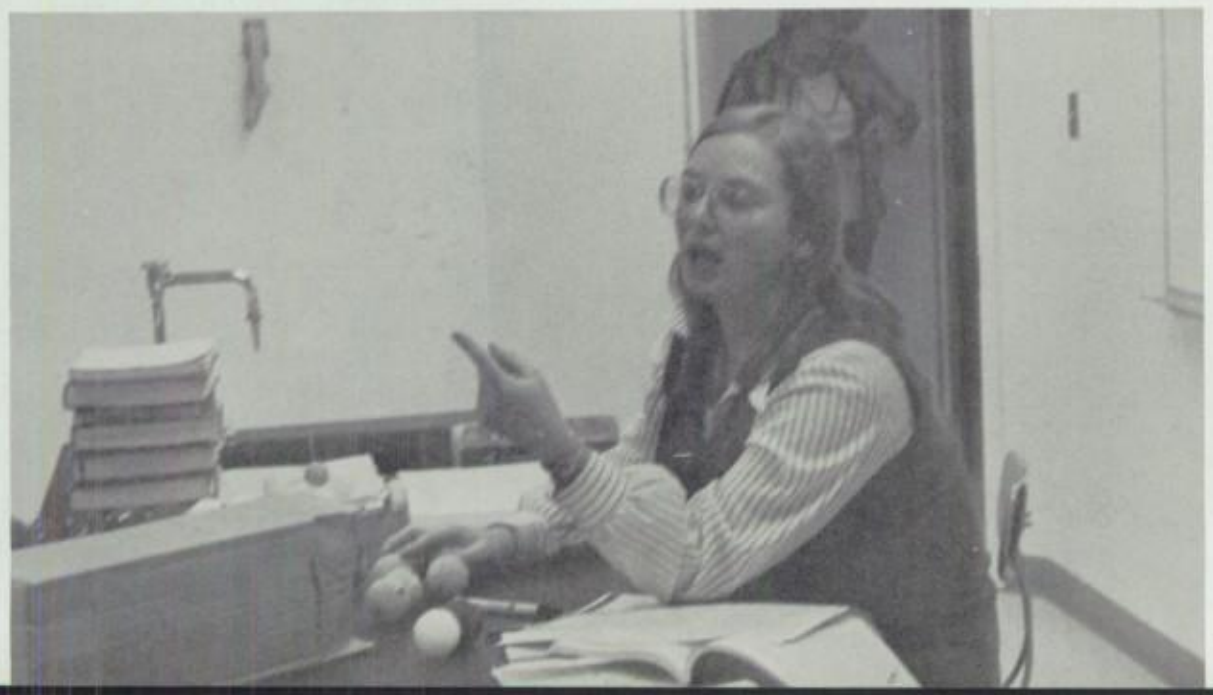
Deborah Pomeroy, a graduate of Colorado State University, worked in radiation research just prior to teaching. She enjoys such sports as racquetball and canoeing. She used to play concert symphony violin but is now playin' that blue-grass!

Jim Walker is one of those teachers whose personality resembles a favorite mammal. A teacher of Biological Sciences this "Old Goat", as he has been teased and affectionately called, took up teaching after graduating from Penn State.

Ed Benson

Bill Lambert

Richard Tarkiainen



Deborah Pomeroy

Taking Care of Business

Mattie Herning thoroughly enjoys teaching and observing students as they progress through the years. This busy lady relishes her moments to sit down and knit, play the organ and vibraharp.

Wife to a sheep biologist and mother to Carrie age 2, Karen Heimer still has time to teach Home Economics. She received her BA from the Home Economics Education at Colorado State College and went to graduate school at Washington State U.

Karen Hagglund, a graduate from the U of Minnesota has two identities. One as Ms. Hagglund the business like teacher of shorthand and typing and the other as super coach to the girl's J.V. basketball team and assistant to the varsity team.

ABOVE is Marge Thomas.

BELOW is Nancy Kelly.

BELOW is Karen Hagglund.

BELOW is Karen Heimer.

BELOW is Mattie Herning.

Specialists Build Muscles

Ted Deleon, past student of the U. of South Dakota, Chadron State College, and U. of Alaska is very involved with the sports program at West Valley. He is head coach of the Wolfpack football team, boy's basketball, and sponsor of the new Wolfpack Athletic Club.

Diadre Dalrymple is one of the many new faces to West Valley. She is a graduate of the U. of South Carolina in Health and Physical Education. This fearless leader of the Spirit Freaks loves sports, the outdoors, her husband Larry, and sunshine.

Daidre Dalrymple

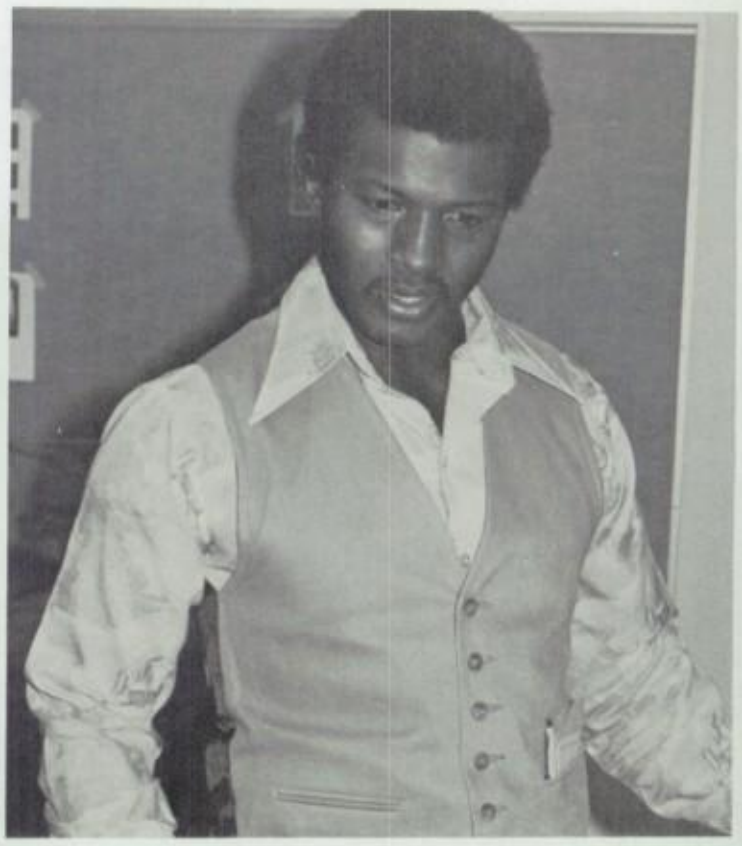
Ted Deleon

BELOW is Ruth Scanlan.

Al Shoats enjoys a morning chat with his briefcase.

Art

Lois Hughes



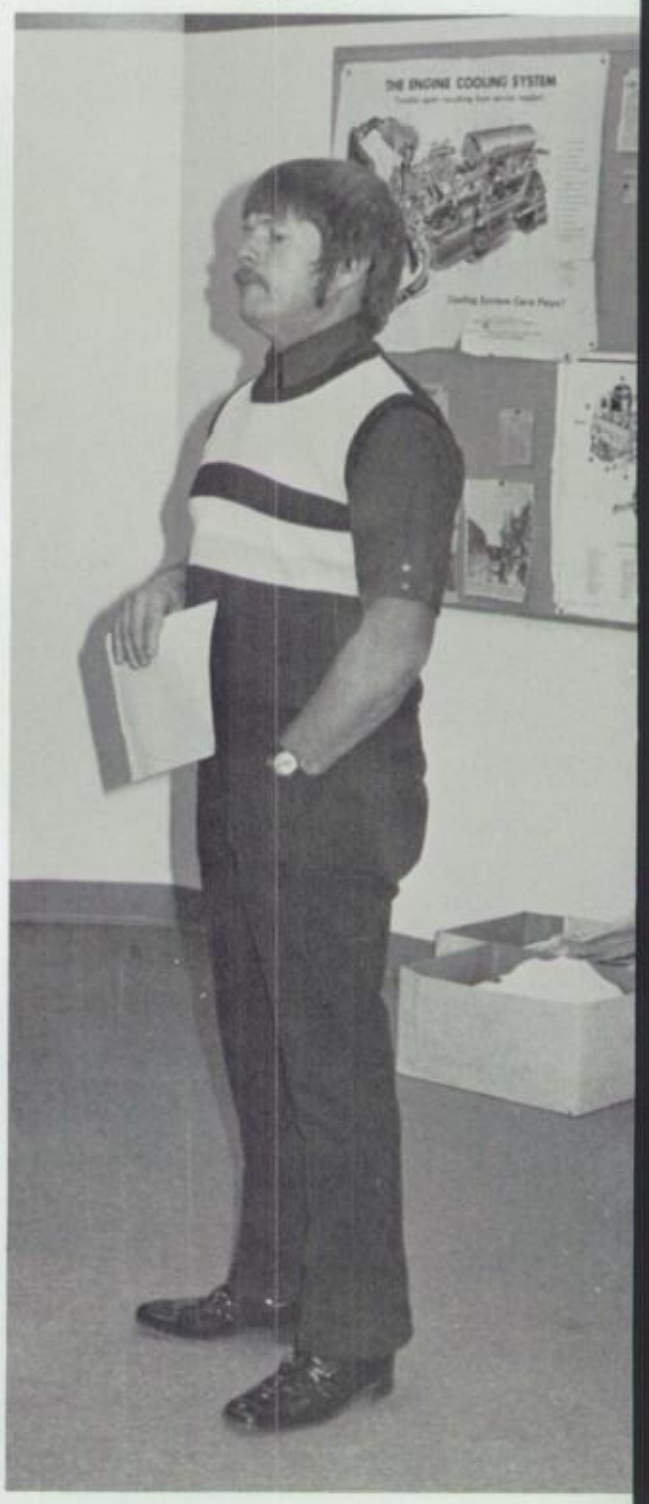
Charles Scott

Drivers Ed

Bill Ernst

Ed Long

Noel Napollili



Industrial Arts

Tommie Turner

Ed Long enjoys life and lives it to its fullest. He is a graduate of the U of Colorado at Greely majoring in Industrial Arts.

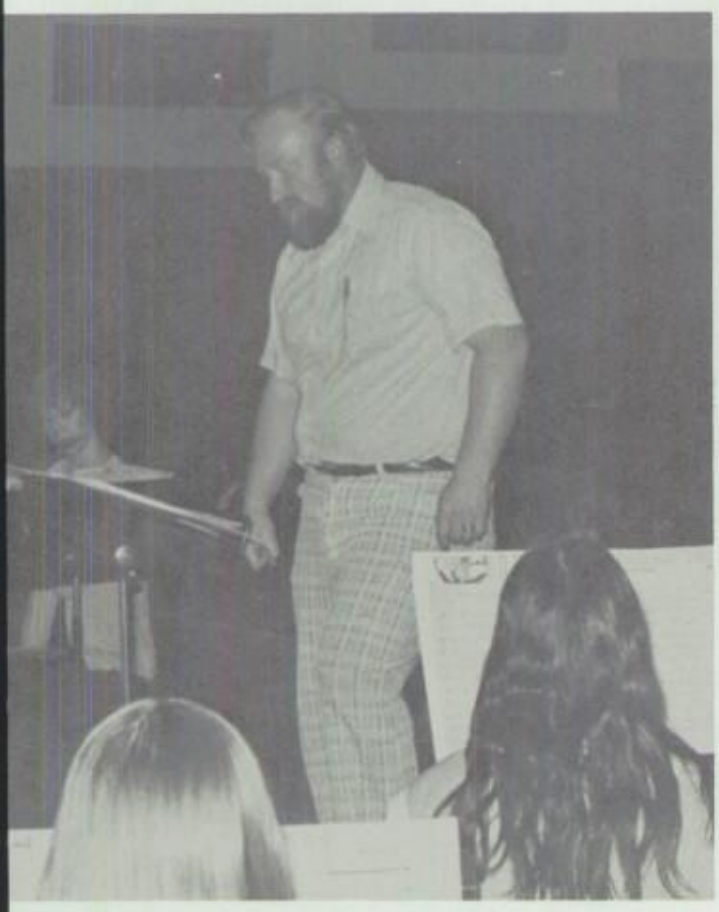
Noel Napollili, a graduate of MSU, is the coach of our national champion rifle team.

Tommie Turner, a renouned gunfighter, attended numerous colleges in Texas. He shot with Six Gun City and in Canyon, Texas this fine gunslinger put on Quick Drawshows.

Charles Scott is a multi-talented man, not only is he an art teacher he also coaches the wrestling team and is a Karaté Instructor.

Lois Hughes is a graduate of Syracuse of N.Y. and is also the Art Club Sponsor.

Music



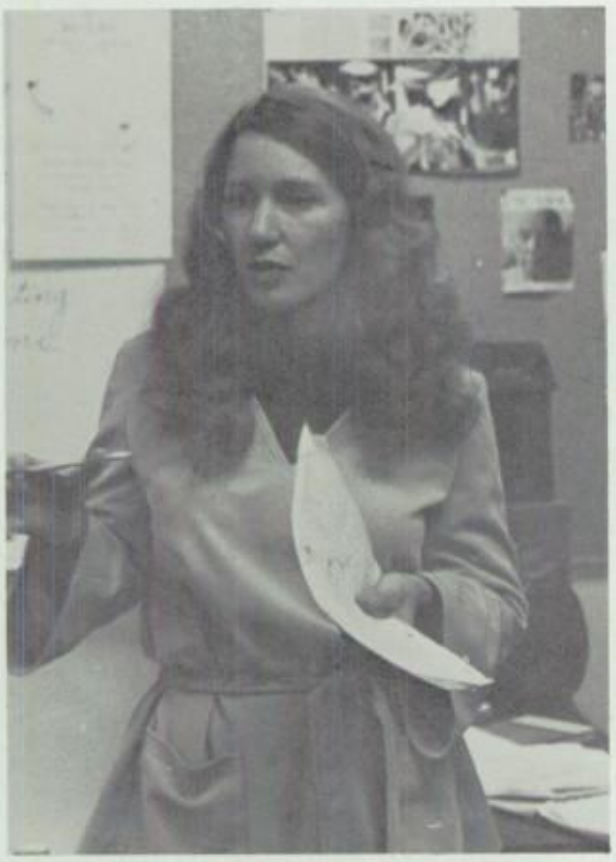
ABOVE: George Wiese

ABOVE: Donna Matschke

RIGHT: Marvilla Conn

The hazel of Renata VanEnkevort's is NOT in her eye. A nutty woman, none the least, she definately makes it as a foreign language teacher and a learnee! She has graduated times over and contrary to unpopular opinion is a fantastic teacher and a joy to be around!

Dramatically sharing her Spanish, Susan Peters initiated a Spanish Club and also took on the duties of Co-Senior advisor. She enjoys almost any sport, photography, and the piano.



ABOVE: Susan Peters
BELOW: Renata VanEnkevort

Foreign Language

Born in L.A., Marvilla Conn is a graduate from a University in Montana. A music lover at heart she is the leader of the Wolfpack Choir and contributes to orchestral and singing groups.

Donna Matschke's life is filled to the brim with music. Not only does she teach Chamber Orchestra, Training Orchestra, String Ensemble, and Theory of Music, she is also the String Coordinator for 18 schools. This lady received her Masters from the U. of Oregon and went on to Stephens College and the U. of Tulsa.

Help-Unlimited

If you ever come across a happier person than Gladys Terry it would be a chance in a million. Her cheery smile has brightened mornings for students and teachers alike.

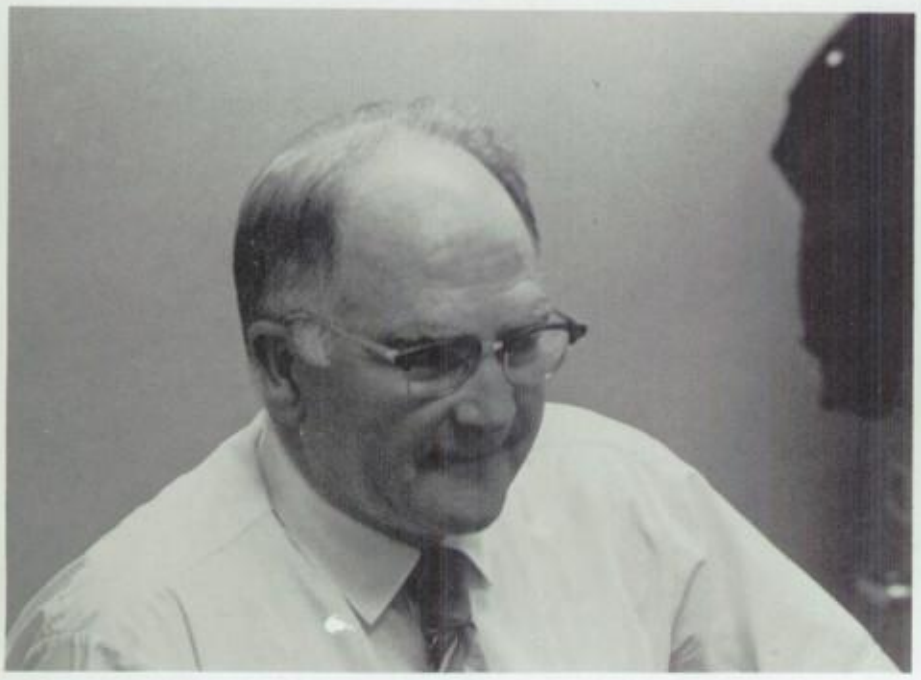
Bev Byington is one of those counselors who really tries for you. She holds special interest in students and enjoys strumming her banjo, chopping wood, counseling and weekends!

Graciously shedding her glow, Pat Birklid efficiently executes the job of counseling secretary. A 1962 Lathrop graduate, she and her family are active in youth hockey.

Formerly of the Fairbanks Memorial Hospital Baby Dept., West Valley Nurse Joan Wilcox is a favorite person to go to for sore finger or broken heart--a nice addition to our Help-Unlimited staff!

Another new face to West Valley is counselor Frank McGuigan, though he is remembered by many from those jolly days at Main Junior High School. His advice and patience is very much appreciated.

Joan Wilcox



Frank McGuigan

Gladys Terry

Pat Birklid

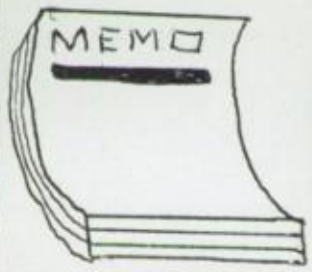
Bev Byington

Girl Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. . . .

Alma Pratt

The newest face to West Valley's office staff is Jana Hyatt. She's been in Fairbanks for a very short time and soon landed the position of Attendance Office Secretary. An active woman of Idaho, Jana enjoys youth activities in which her children participate, and living in general.

Nell Garvey, a lover of beaches, hiking, sewing and ball games has taken to West Valley. She went to a variety of colleges in California and claims she would not change any of her life thus far. She did mention an avid interest in learning the new dance steps, however!



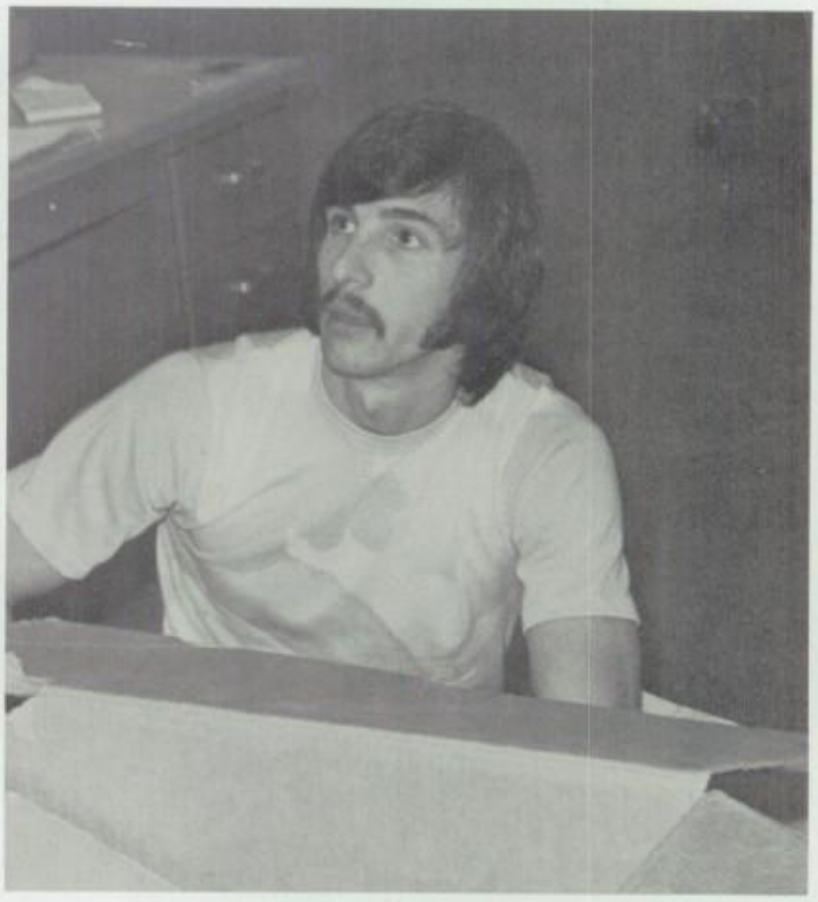
Nell Garvey

Jana Hyatt

Marcia Snyder

Custodians Have Spirit, Too!

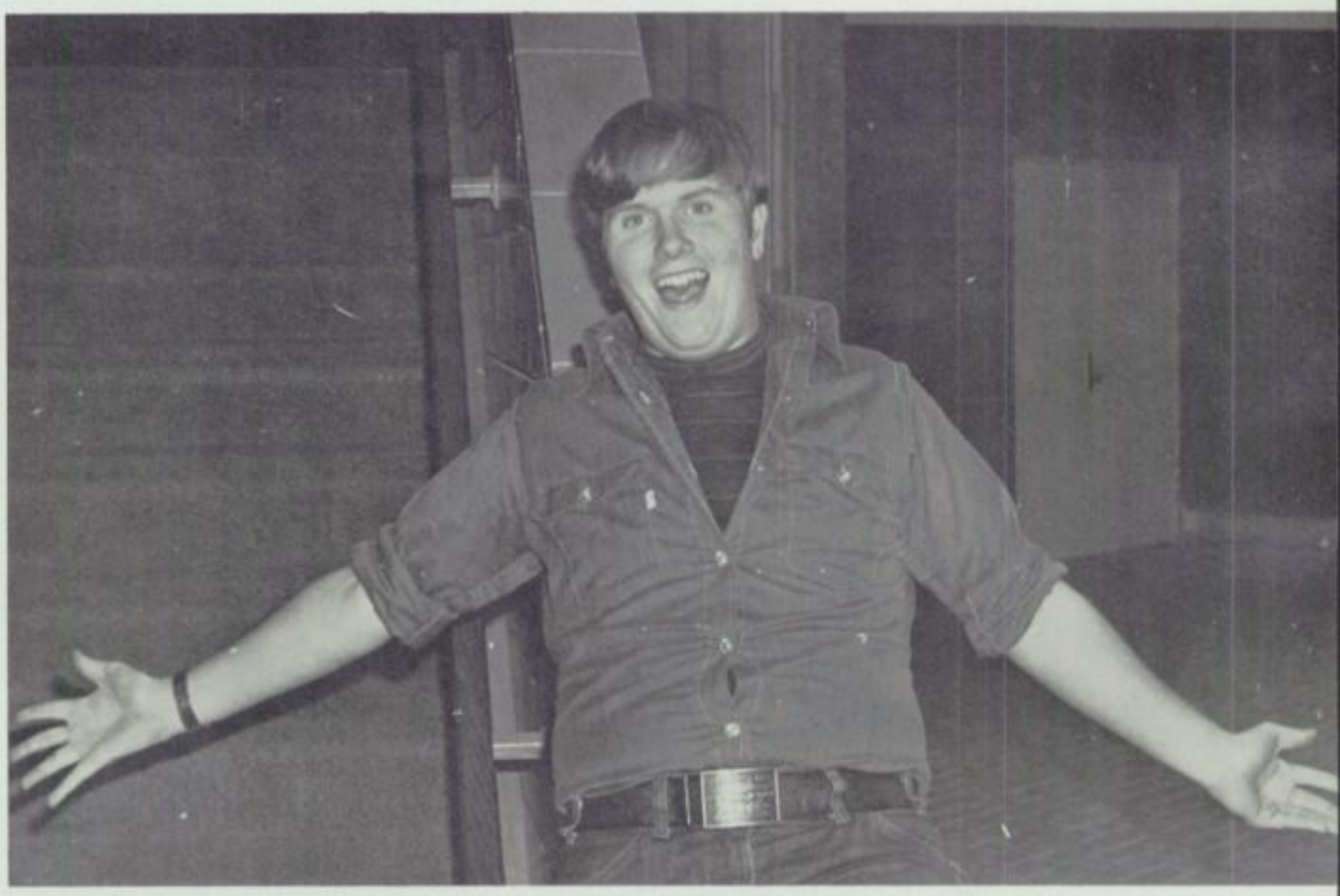
"West Wolfpack!. . . Rah, Rah!"



ABOVE is Ken Cleland.

BELOW is Leonard Dykes.

"My way. . .or no way at all."



"Here I am, you great big beautiful world, you!"

"Smile when you say that. . ."

She didn't hold up, but her hair did.

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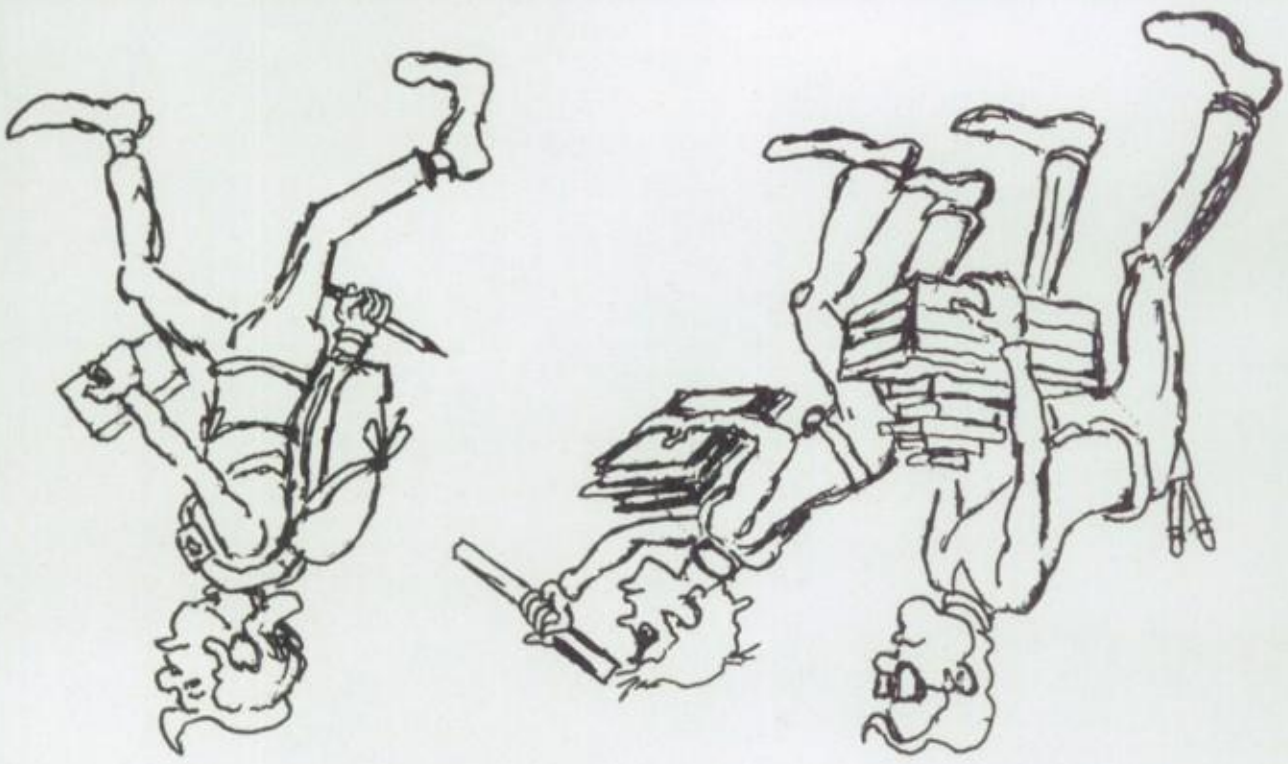

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Craig Ackerman

Gene Adams

Robert Albright

Kathy Allen

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Emily Arth

Craig Axtel

Tod Bablinskas

Tim Baird

Scott Barkdull

Shannon Barnett

Bill Bassette

Becky Baumgartner

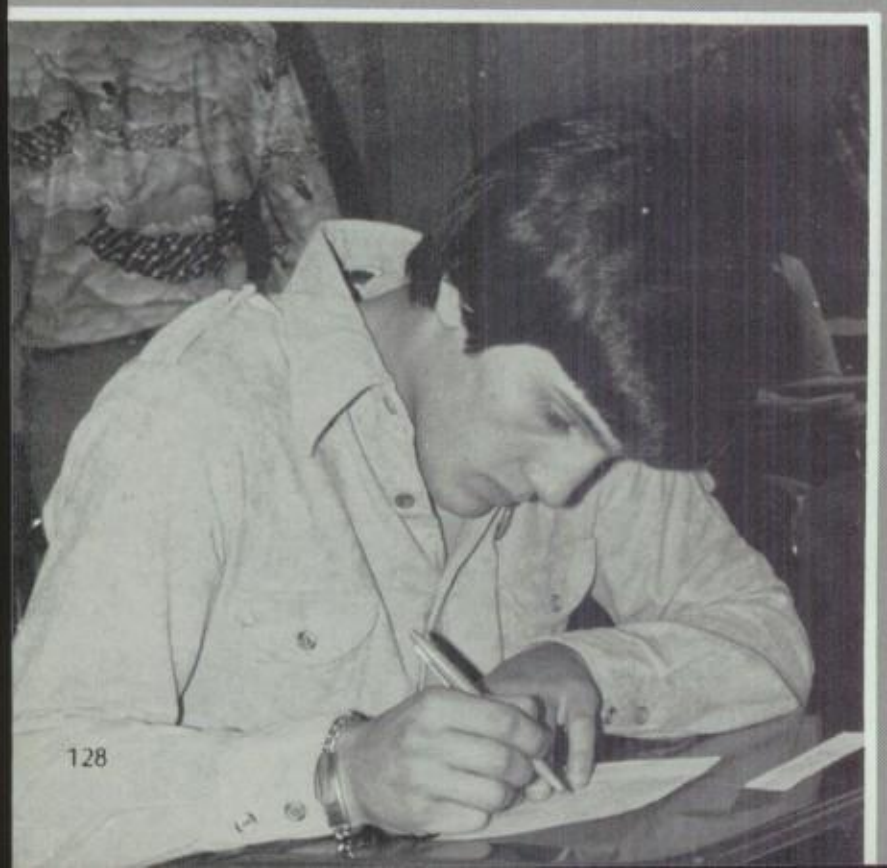
Climb Their Juniors . . .

Demetria Bell

Lauri Bellvill

Melissa Benson

Mike Berat



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Kathy Bluekens

Connie Bolton

Nevette Bowen

Leslie Brand

Wendy Bratten

Donna Brooke

Gene Brown

Dave Calkins

Dennis Carey

Jim Carlyle

Holly Chambers

Martin Childers

Scott Chinn

Brian Church

Melissa Chrestman

Antony Ciarochi

to Success

Stairways

Vivian Cogan

Tim Colley

Fred Coleman

Marvin Copsey

Glenn Cotting

Virginia Coty

Mathew Cowles

Rock Dale

M. Davis

Stacey DeGabian

Jacqueline DeLaney

Robert Dirks

Walter Dolney

Let me at 'em, coach!

Jennifer Duncan

Michael Dunshie

Jim Easterling

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Susan Ercolin

Cynthia Evans

Nick Evans

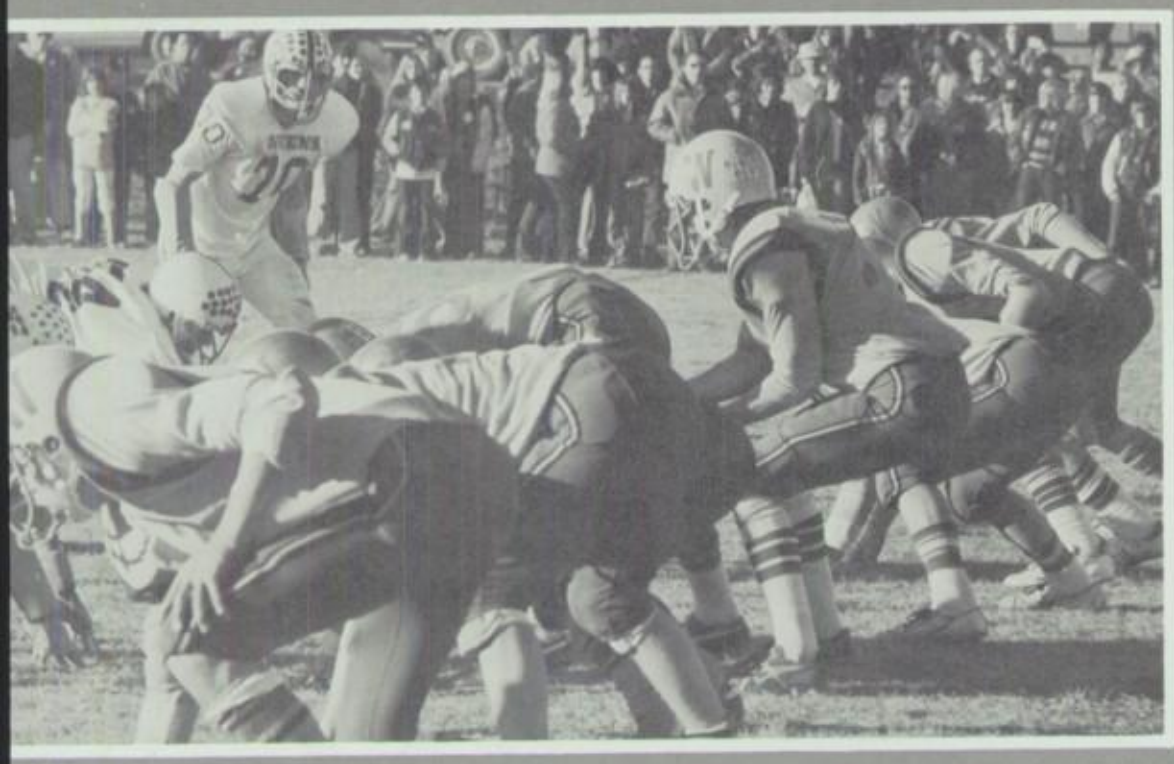
Chris Fagan

Richard Foltz

Steve Foster

Robert Franz

Trying to Keep Their Heads up . . .



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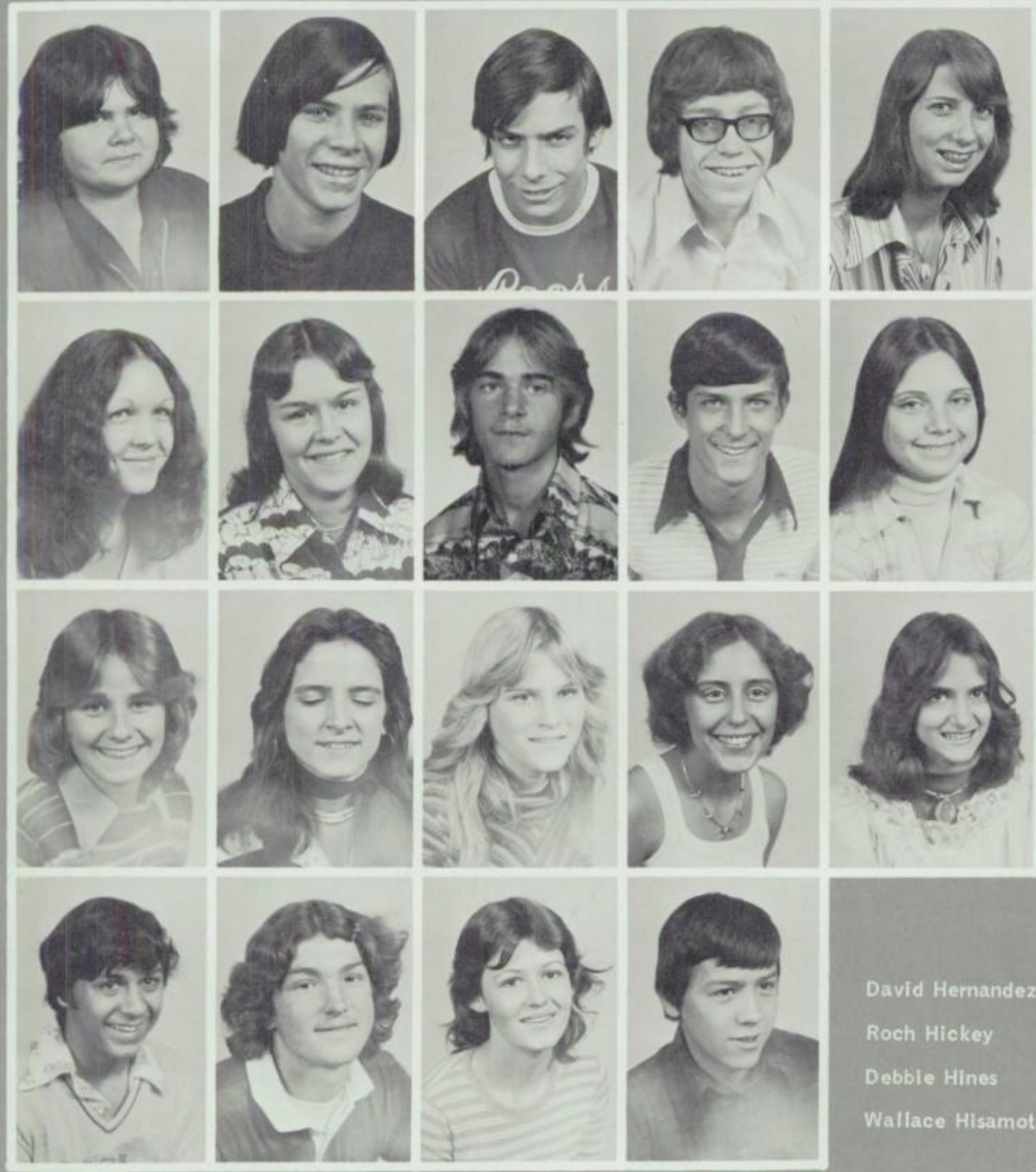

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Dana Garrett

Jeff Gedney

Mervin Gilbertson

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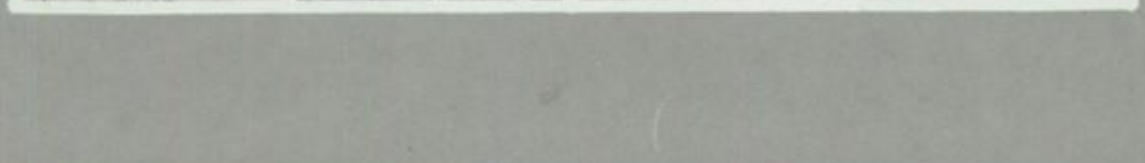
Beth Henry



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Roch Hickey

Debbie Hines

Wallace Hisamoto

Taking Time to Go Places . . .

Denise Holden

Greg Holman

Dan Holmgren

Alan Hoover

Bart Howard

Melinda Howard

Theresa Howard

Don Hudson

Ronald Jackowski

Kimberly Jackson

Michael Jackson

Hey there big fella, goin' my way?

Leonard Jaramillo

Dorothy Johnson

Kent Johnson

Michael Johnson

Cora Jones

Kimberly Kelly

Arna King

Bryan King

Lisa Klaich

Susan Klick

William Koo

Paula Laberbara

Edward Lambert

Gary Lambert

Barbara Lauridsen

Sandra Leist

Phyllis Leonard

Michael Lester

Donald Lewis

Roger Livingston

Laurie Lizotte

Jim Lokken

Sharon McConnell

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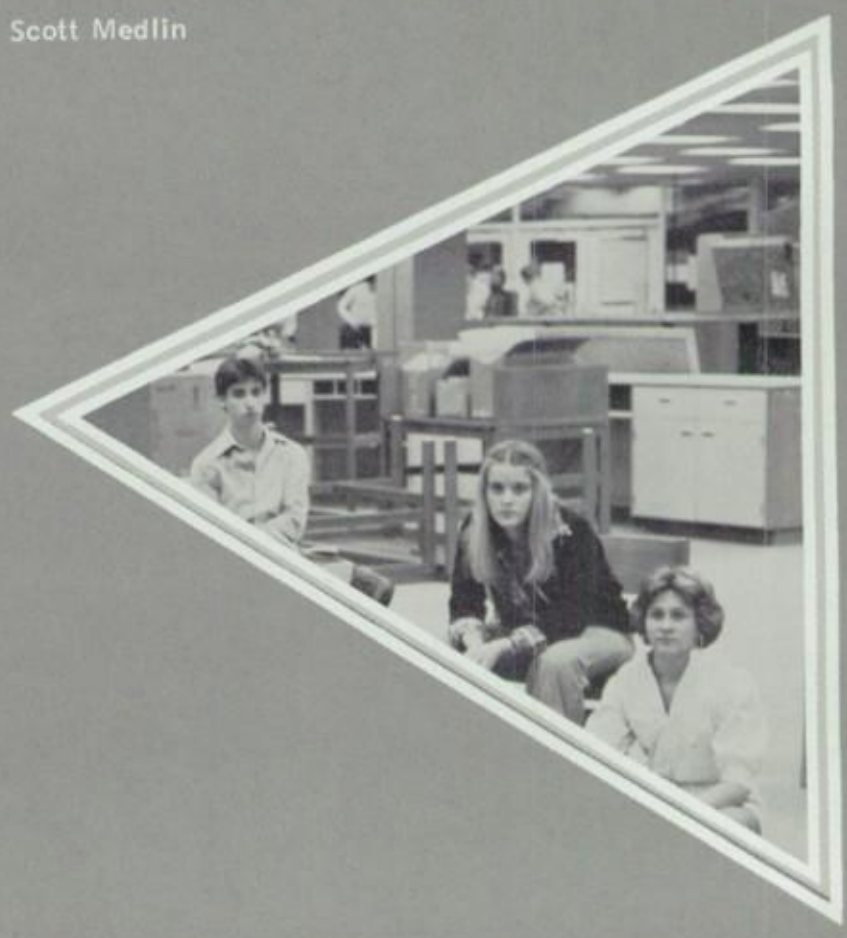

Observing From a

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R. Paulus

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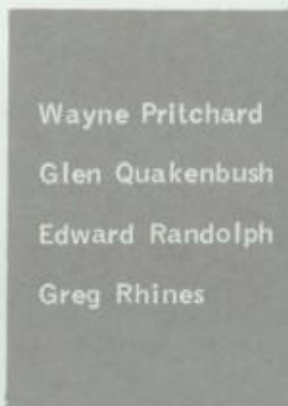

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Greg Rhines

Different Point of View

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Laura Sandstrom
Paul Sauer

Shirley Scot
Stacey Shallock
Susan Shaw
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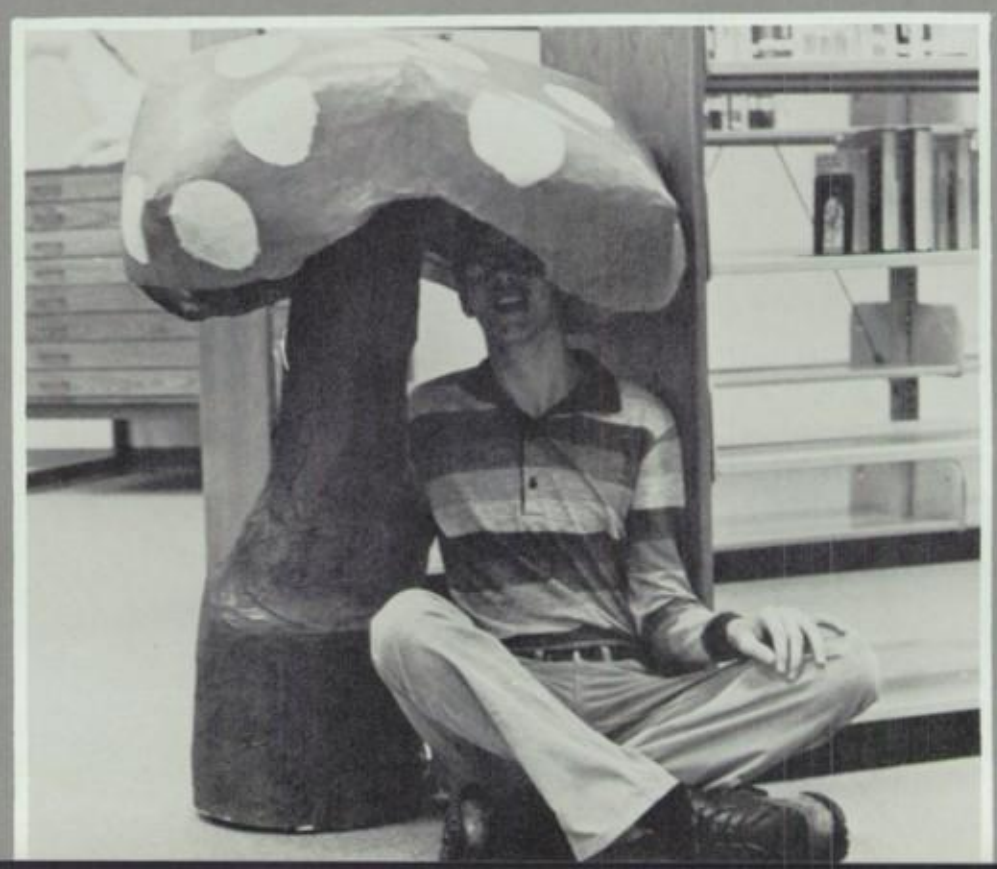
Mazaher Sivje

Peter Smith

Tracy Smith

Diggin' the times of me-n-my mushroom!



And Helping Each Other Along the Way

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Arleen Svoboda

Susan Swartz

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Craig Thompson

Debra Thornton

Pamela Thorson

Deborah Townsend

Brenda Townshend

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Julie Vanhyning

Steve VanStone

Jay VanVeldhuizen

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Lois Wang

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Suzanne Weil

Lela Wells

Dale Weiderich

Deanna Whille

Mary Williams

Mark Wilson

Cheryl Winters

Jerry Workes

Jon Young

Raymond Young

Steve Young

Jay Ziegler

Um-m-m!
Love that cake!

SOPHOMORES

Sally Aasland

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Lloyd Allen
Pam Allen
Robert Andresen
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Darryl Avara
Kim Bacon
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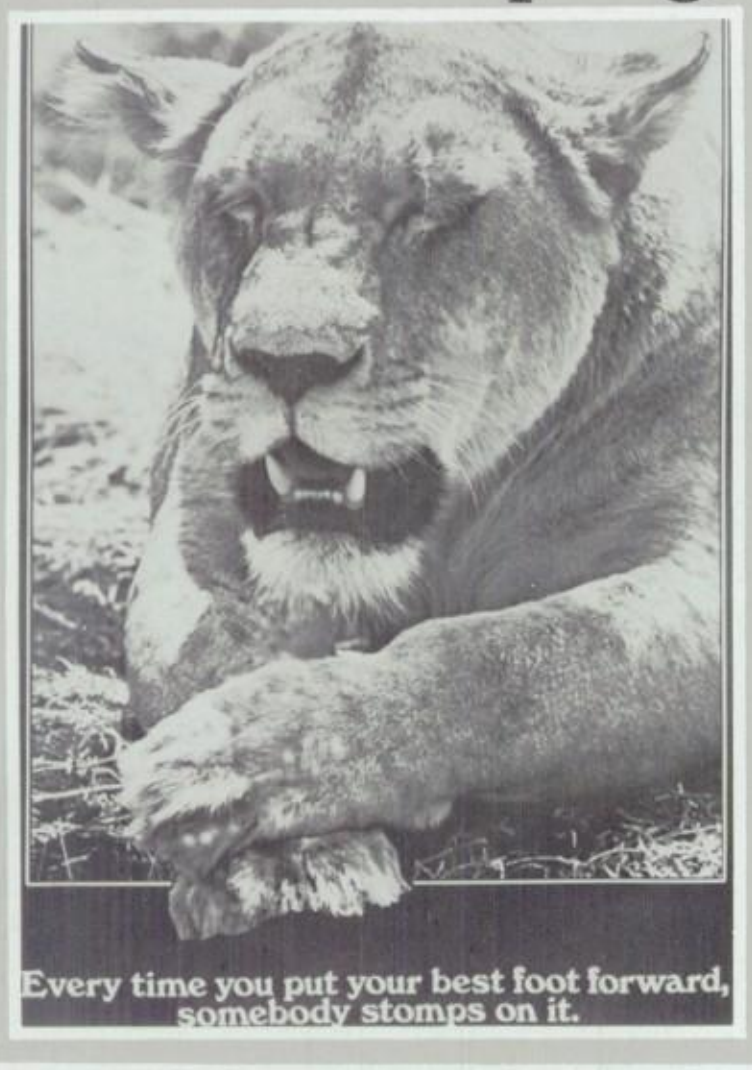
Still Stomping



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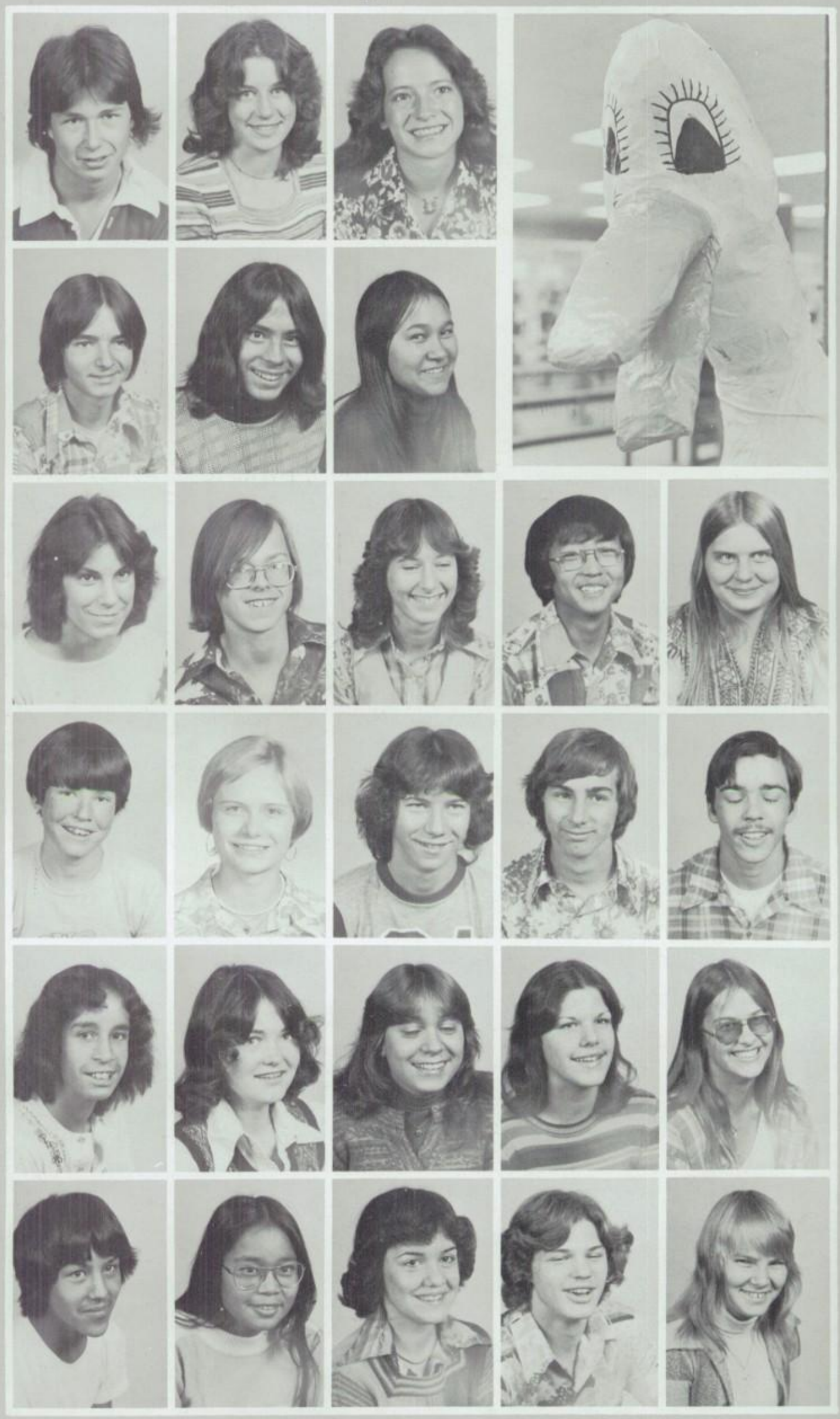

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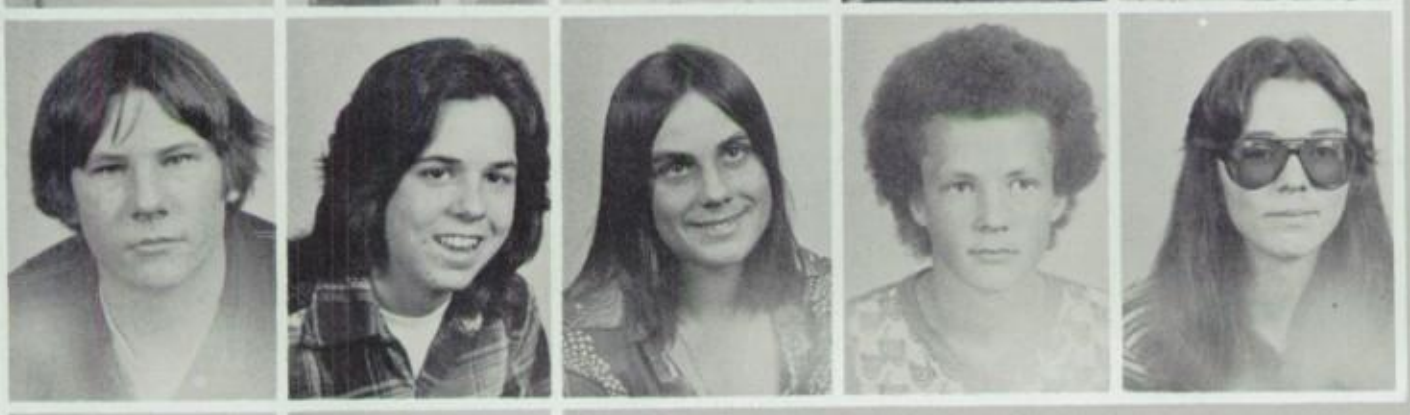

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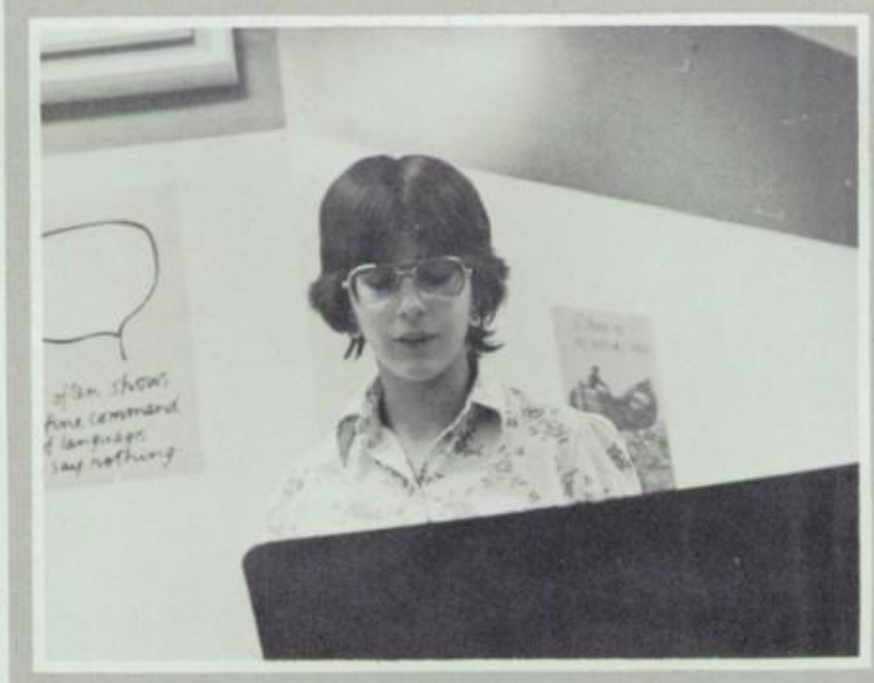

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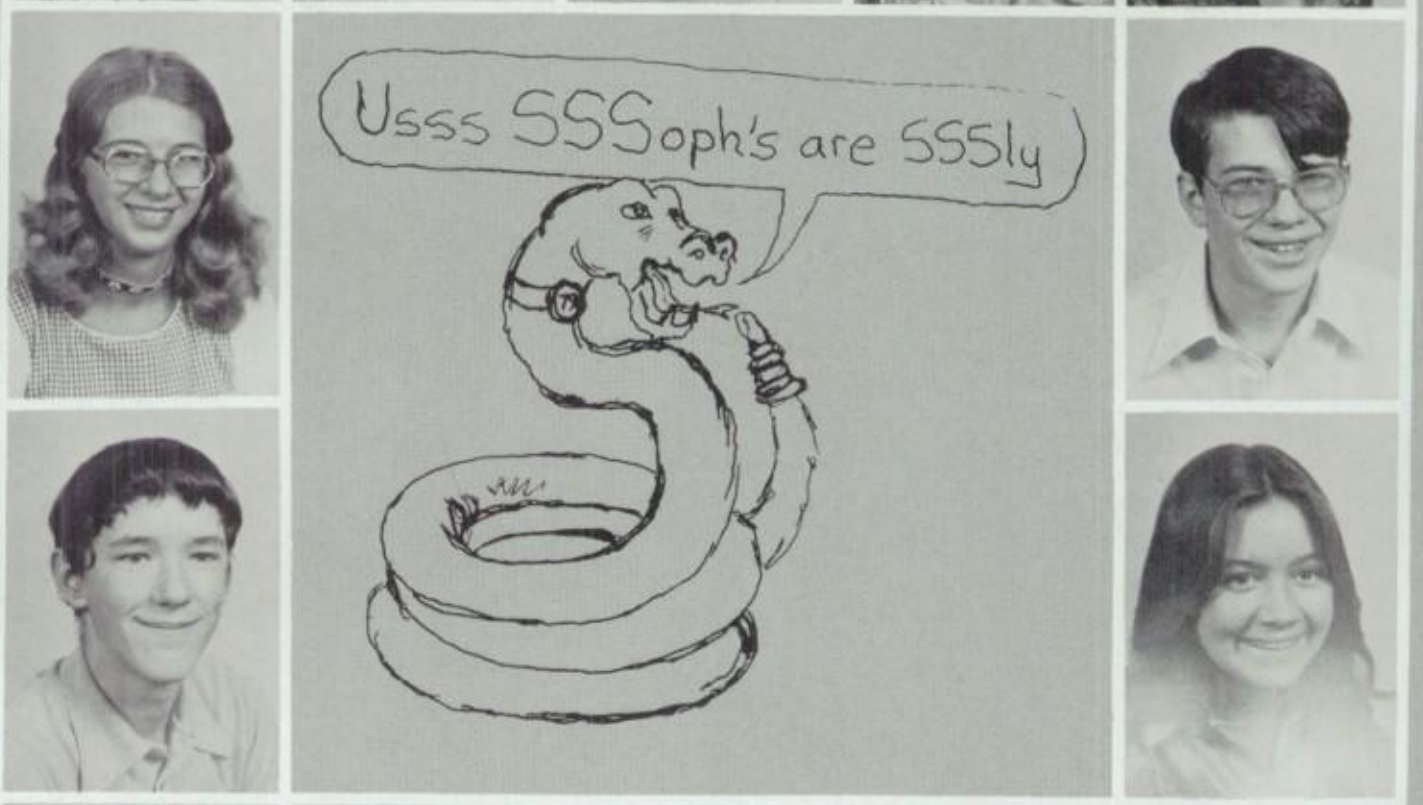

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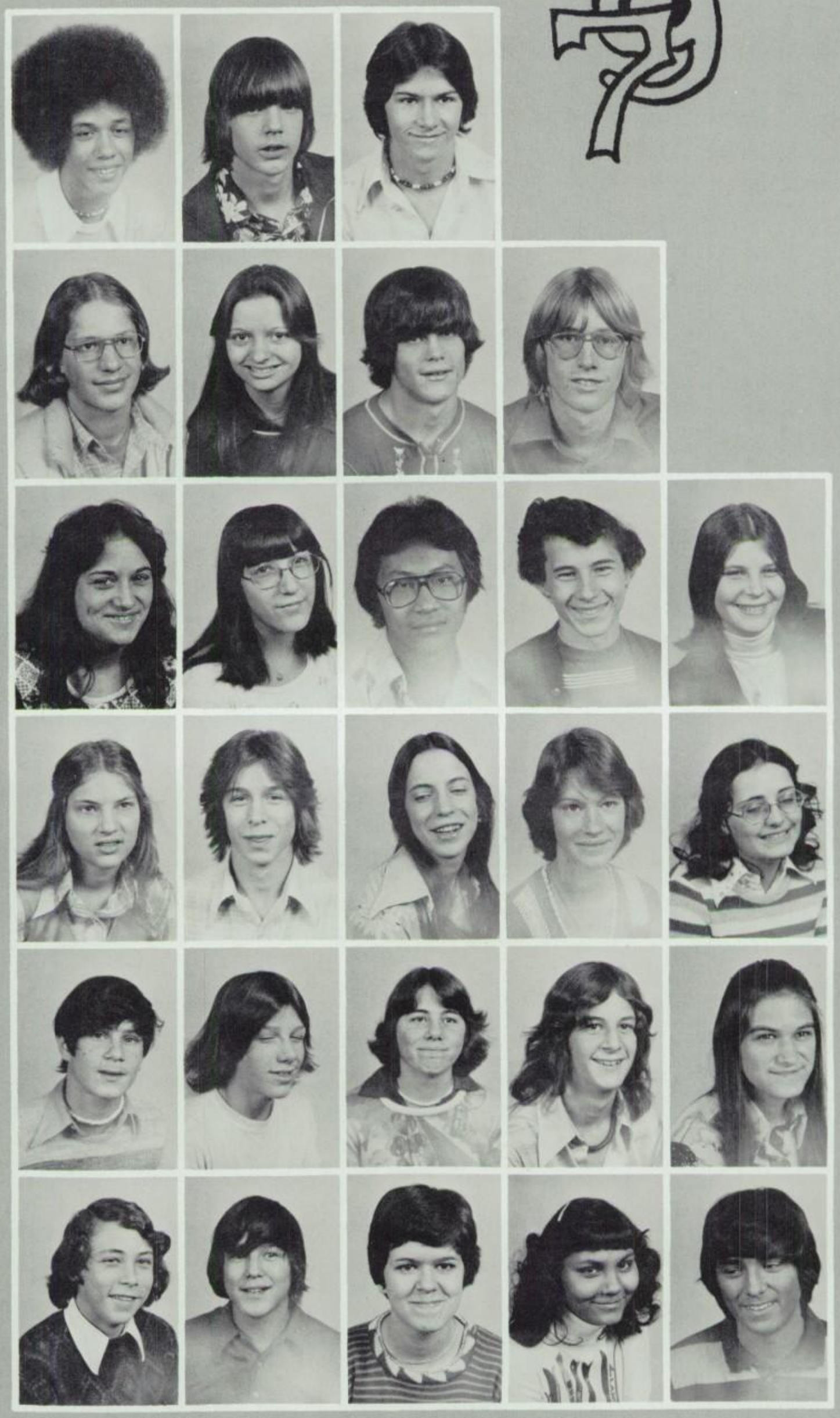

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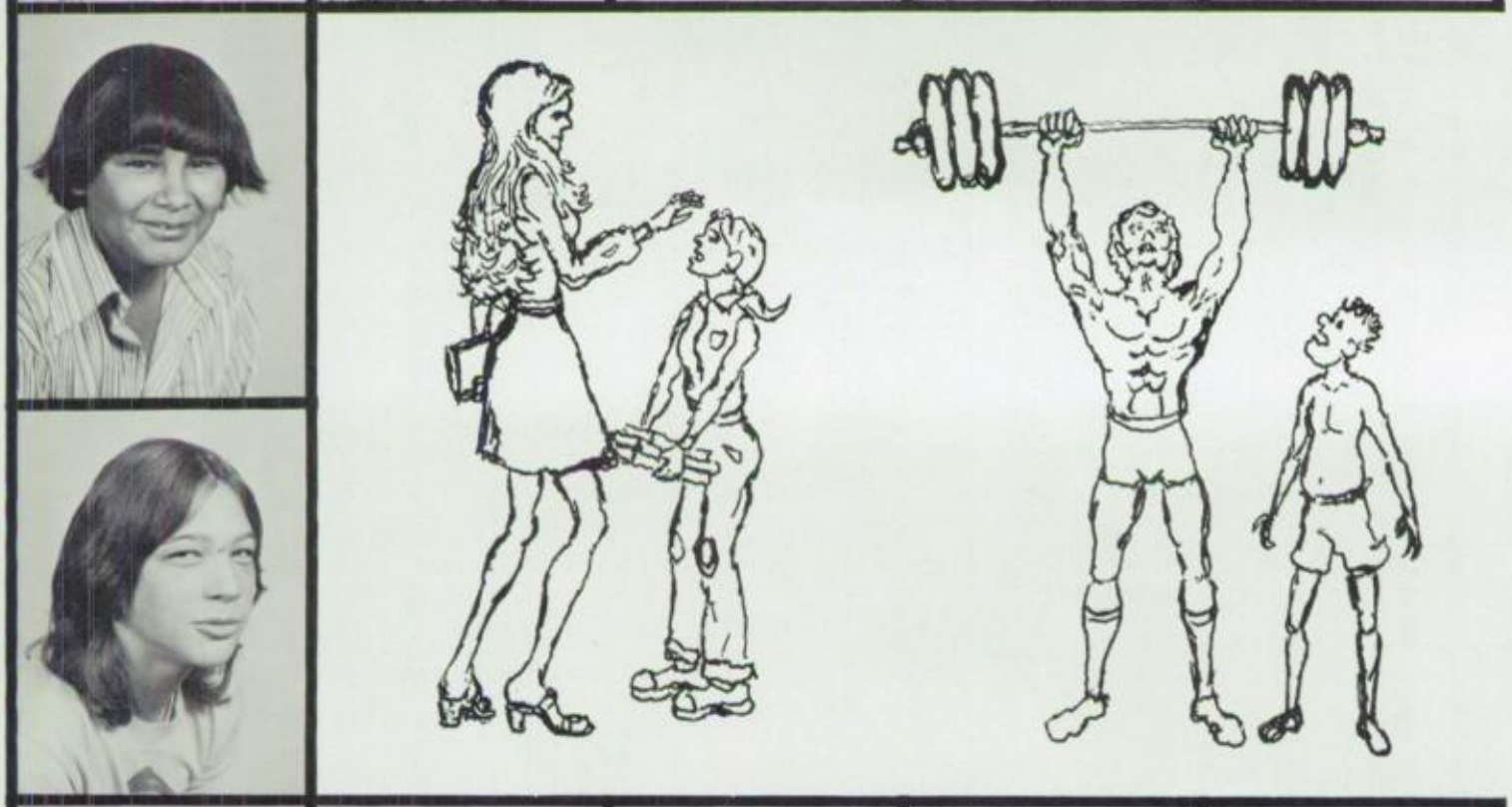

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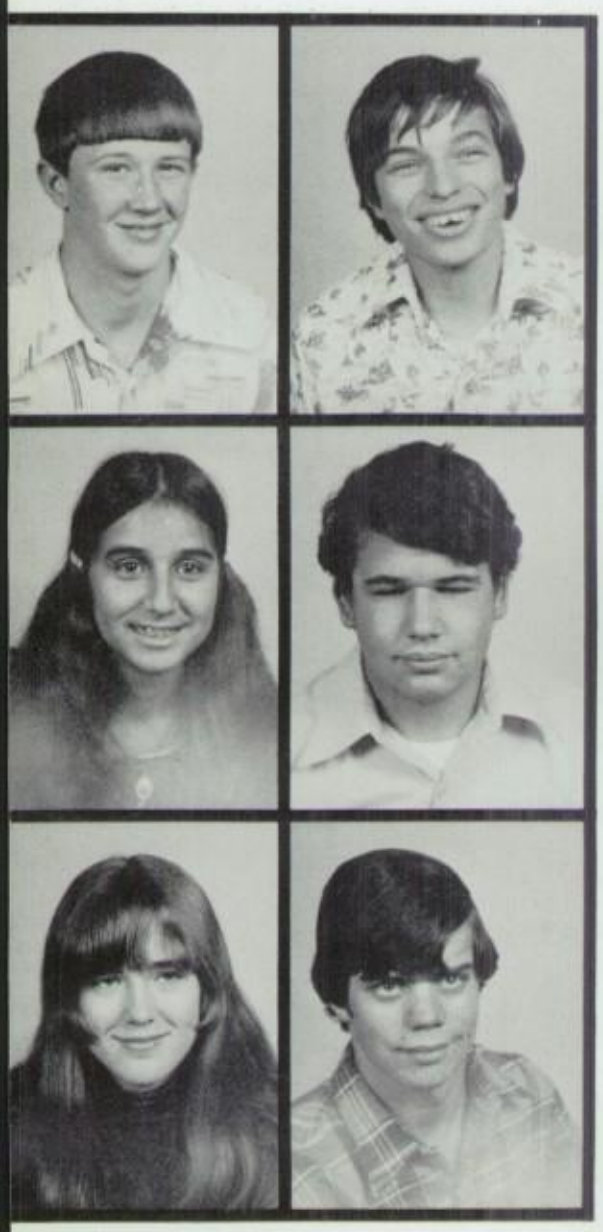

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Tonya Thornton
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Kent Tilman

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Richard Tremarello
Janice Trumbell

Jeff Turney
Karen Tyson
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Mary VanHoomison
Varina VanVeldhuizen
Edith Vaughan

Way to Go, Grace!

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Frank Viator
Frank Vignola

Diane Ventors
Lorie Voorhees

Colleen Wallner
Steve Ward
Merrilee Weaver
Robert Weeden
Janet Welty

Cindy West
Judy Wheat
Billy Wiley
Jim Williams
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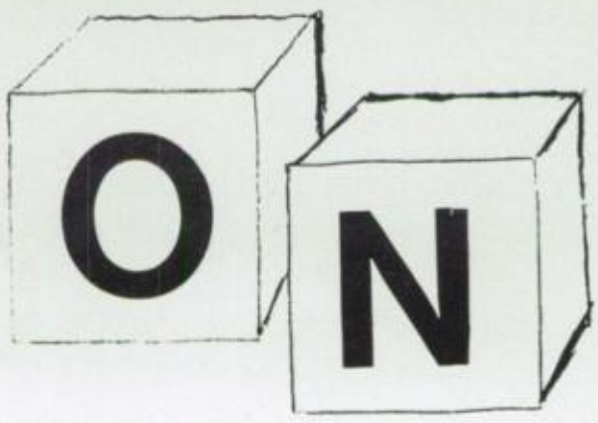
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'76 Comes Home

Homecoming this year began the cog that slowly started the school calender turning.

The dance, which purpose is to welcome back seniors of the year gone by, was a tremendous success, especially considering the many obstacles that blocked the way of progress. One obstruction was the late start in school which made it difficult to create the plans for the homecoming weekend. Yet all in all the dance was a welcome success with Ann DeVries as reigning Queen and football player Don McCumby as crowned King.

The next day Homecoming's success was made certain when our Wolfpack football team beat out the North Pole Patriots for the 3rd victory of the season..There were beautiful floats which were made by three classes plus a choir special. All in all, homecoming was FINE.

ABOVE LEFT: Our Queen Ann DeVries.
ABOVE: The 1975-76 Queen, Debbie Benson, congratulates Ann.

BELOW, LEFT TO RIGHT: Freshman princess, Marcie Hassebroek; Sophomore princess, Burnice Burns; Junior princess, Stacey Schallock; Queen, Ann DeVries; Junior prince, Bobby Payne; Sophomore prince, Tom VanHoomissen; Freshman prince, Paul Brown. NOT PICTURED: King, Don McCumby.

These Were Our

Moments of Triumph

Cheerleaders boogie to the Wolfpack beat.

The 1976-77 Wolfpack football team opened many doors and flew through them with flying colors.

West Valley's team offered competition as they grabbed the second place title in the Region VI Conference, second only to Ben Eielson High School.

Not only did these tremendous ahtletes dig a place in the conference, but five individuals also achieved high honors.

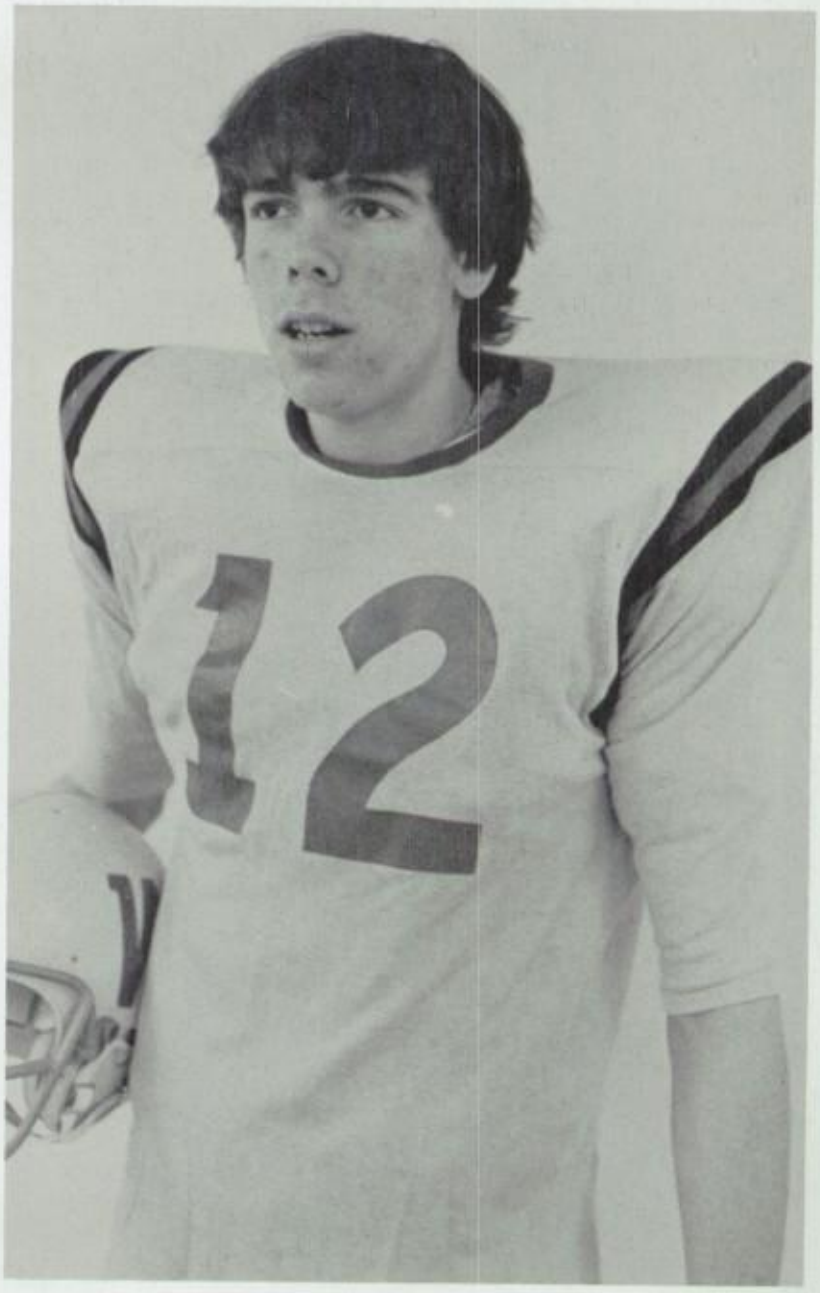
Bobby Payne placed as the Daily News Miner's "Player of the Week" twice along with John Garvey who was also awarded the same title.

Don McCumby, Homer Lord, Buster Culver, and Bobby Payne all placed on the All Conference list as Offensive End, Running Back, Tackle, and Quarterback respectively.

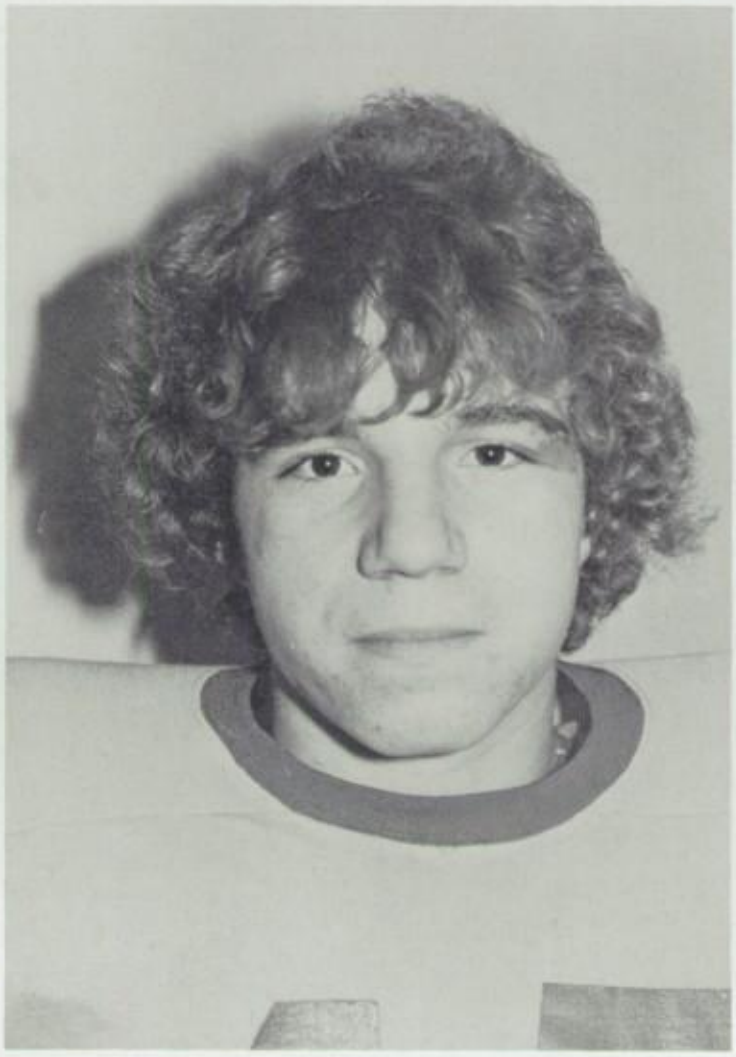
The season was fruitful. Sometimes in mid-October, ex-pro football quarterback, Daryle Lamonica, previously of the Oakland Raiders, showed up.

With the tremendous pep provided by spectators and participants, the Wolfpack team seasoned the past year with numerous victories.

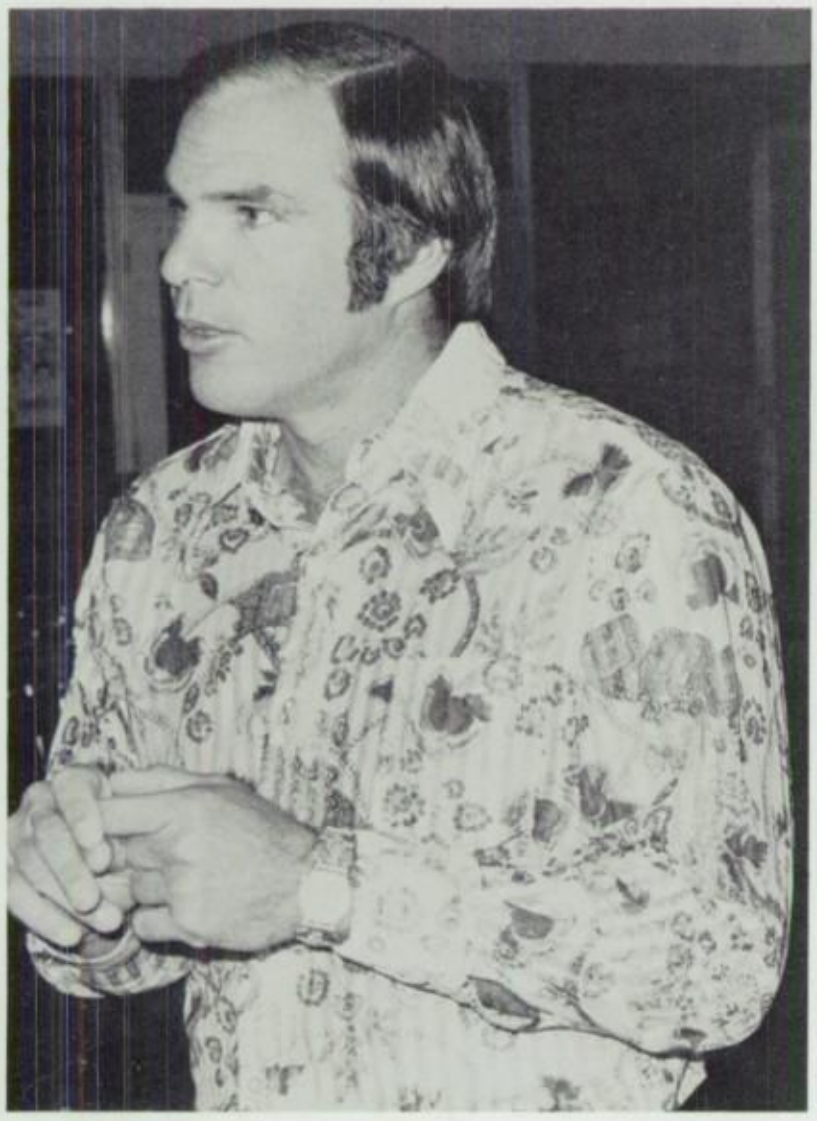
Weekly Honors



All Conference



Daryle Lamonica Visits West Valley



When Daryle speaks, we listen!

Making Ourselves at Home . . .

West Lathrop was born in order to provide an educational and learning center for what was considered the "overflow" of high school students. From it grew what we have today, WEST VALLEY.

At the beginning of the year the school was in turmoil and total chaos. By the beginning of the second quarter however, the roots had been planted. Loyalties began to spread and the building reached for completion.

November 15 was the momentous day when the remaining wing opened. No longer would the band, choir, and orchestra be forced to bus up the hill to the University; no longer would it be necessary for classes to be overgrown with bodies because shop classes and music courses required space too. Although the gym was not completed by that time, it reached completion in time to sponsor the Wolfpack's first game.

Finally the library was opened--research papers began and, in general, life began to settle into the West Valley soil and foundation.

Moving day for West Lathrop.

Marcia Snyder says a final farewell.

"Need some help?"

Mrs. Garvey unpacks, and unpacks, and unpacks. . .

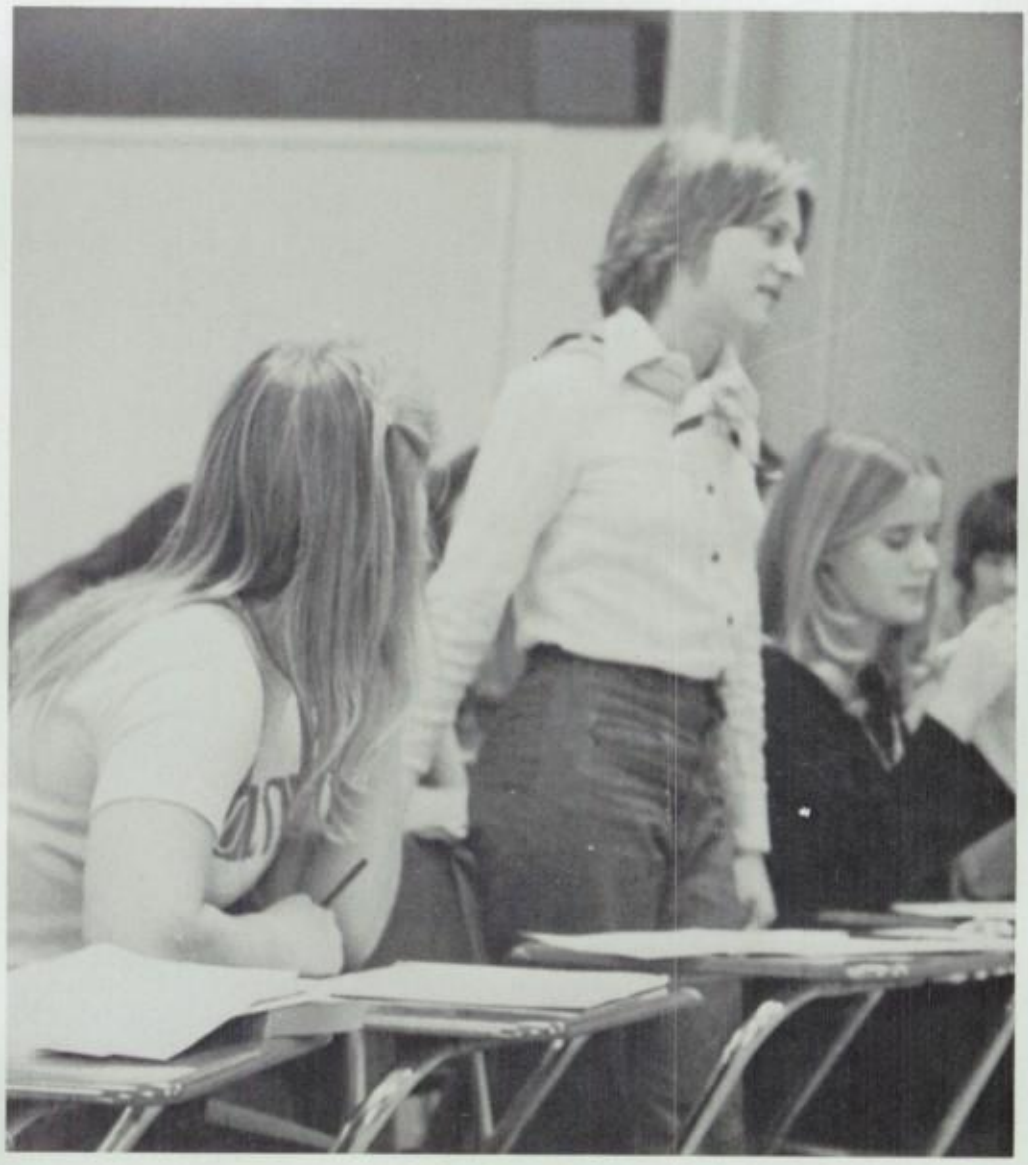
The calm before the storm . . .

"Where are all the books?"

A typical West Valley storeroom.

Student Board Plans Activities

You have to stand up, Clay!



Tell it like it is, Lynne

Attributes of having a male Vice, like Jack Piza.

Oath of Office

I Gary Lambert. . .

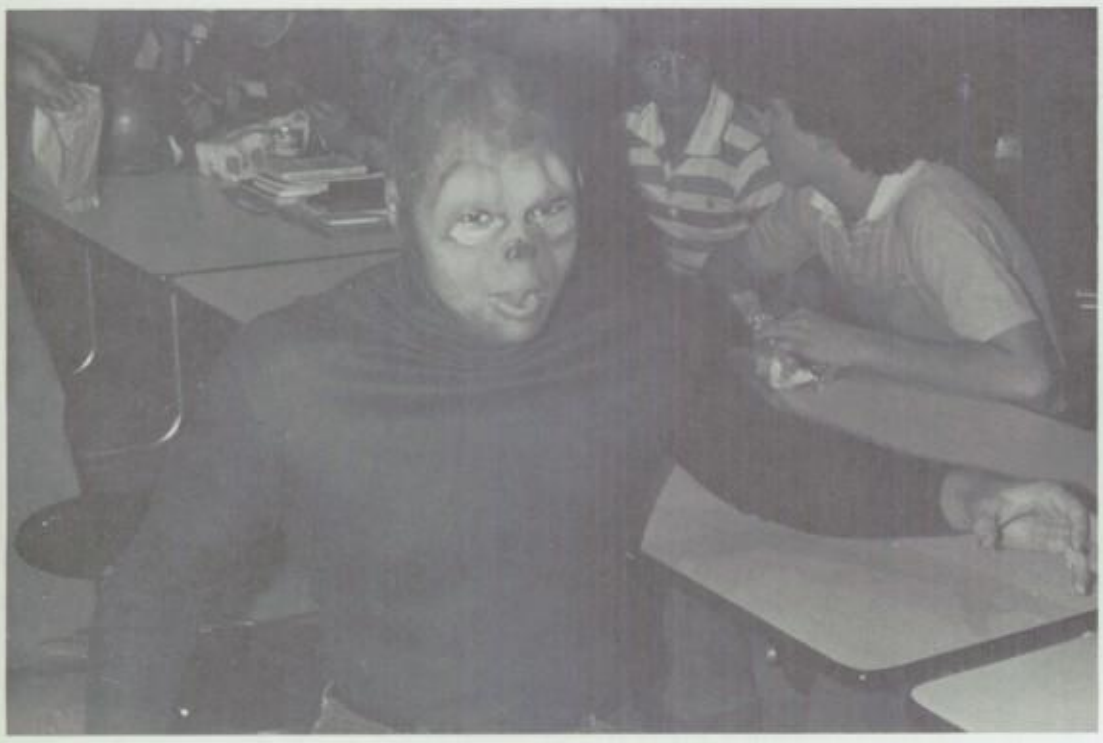
With the National Honor Society's help, the Student Council Installation for the 1976-77 school term was a success.

Though Mr. Klepper was unable to be present at the eventful moment, Mr. Shellinger filled in and gave a most moving speech. Edie Green, advisor to the student council as a whole, put in her tid-bit and finally Student Body President, Sui Len Brown gave her welcoming and appreciation speech. With the applause came a rush to the food and then, consumption.

The year was a productive one and without all the game student council folks, much would have failed to occur! Congrats!

C'mon Mr. Ed, not lunch duty.

Halloween in Action



The day of Halloween activities started with many screams and groans--that is, screams of laughter and groans of good natured fun. As the day progressed costumes were observed and judged by teachers and administrators as the weirdos, Ragady Ann and Andys, and various other things circled about them. Out of all the imaginative costumes which evolved from the brilliance of many West students' minds, Morten Christensen, ho-ho-hoed to 1st place as the Jolly Green Giant.

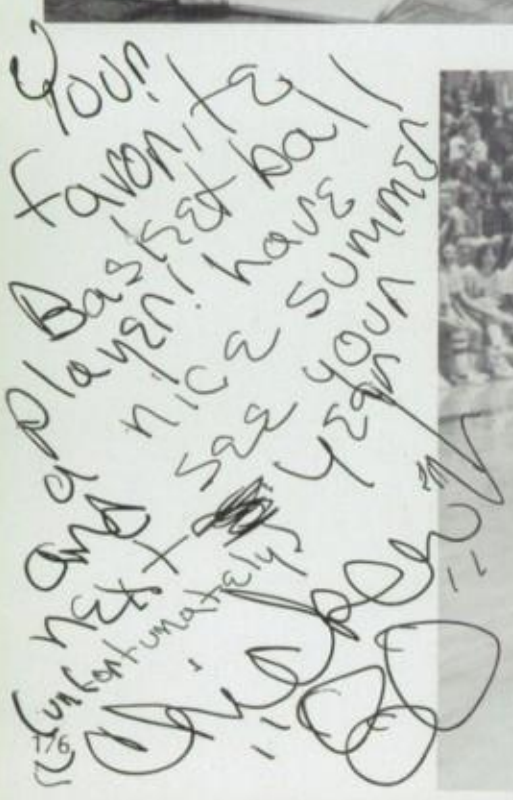
With the Freshmen flying off with 1st prize in hall decorating, the Seniors had to be satisfied with second. All the halls were decorated by each class producing a more Halloween mood throughout the day.

During lunch periods a sponge throw was the main attraction as administrators and teachers were left at the mercy of students armed with wet sponges. This, in addition to the always famous baked goods sold by each class, brought about a satisfaction of a day greatly enjoyed by all.

'Tis the Season

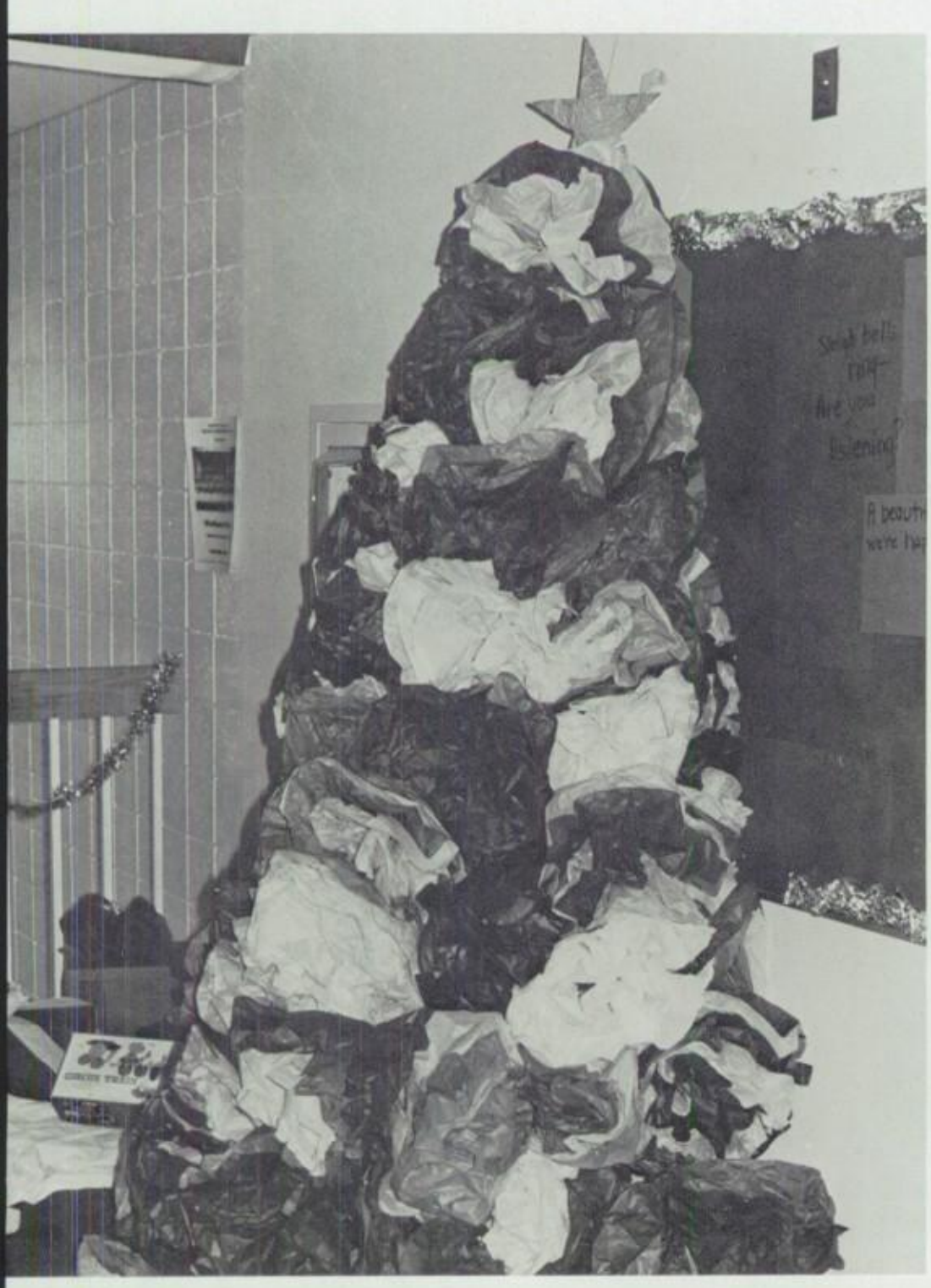
Thanks for the candy, Santa.

Catch me - if you can!



Jump, Stacey, Jump!

Hey, I'm older than you.



Christmas week this year provided a week of festivities to break the routine of the average school day. Each of the classes decked the halls with lots of colors, fa la la la la, la la la la, together with the Art Classes' beautiful decorations in the commons area, it indeed looked as though Christmas never had such a decorative greeting.

Included in the agenda of the week was an Open House held for the general public, a concert which the Wolfpack Band and Choir presented to the student body, and the annual student verses faculty basketball game, which the teachers--with the officials' help, of course--won,

With people roaming through decorated halls and listening to good music, as well as wearing red and green, it was a Christmas to be remembered.

Who Says There's No

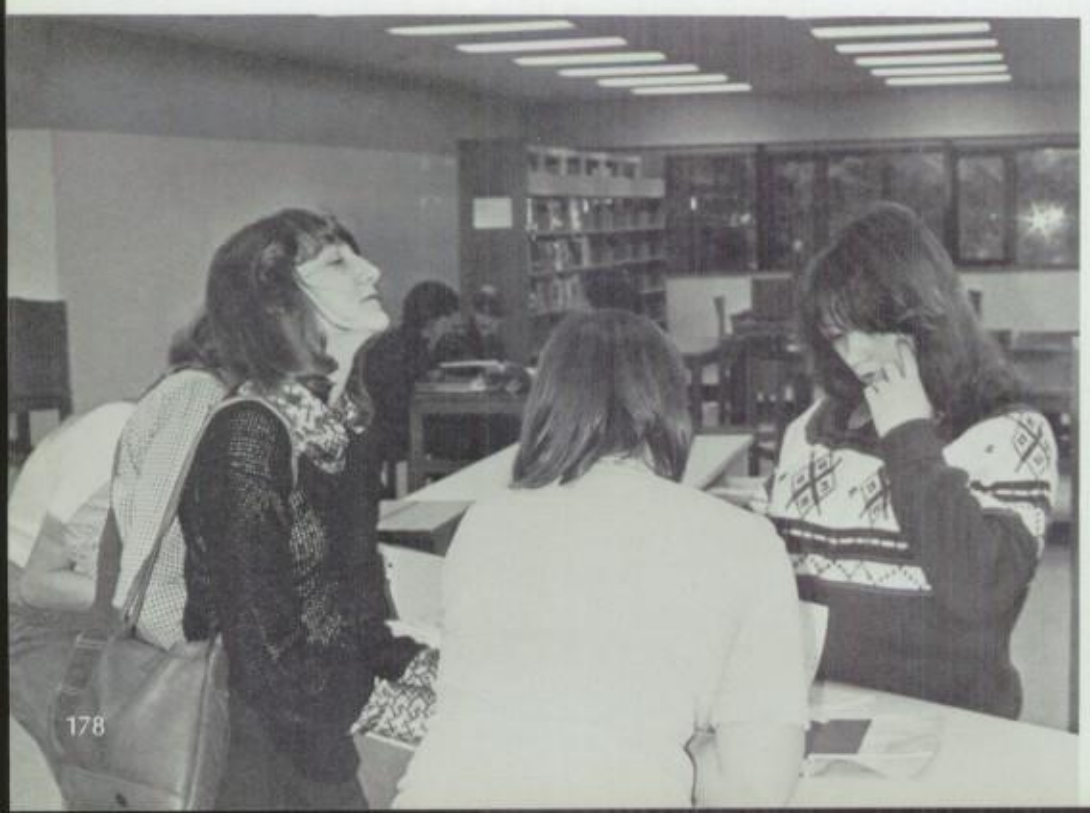
West Gym Completed. . .Finally.

West Library Opens.

Accompanying the opening of West Valley, came the opening of two very important assets; the library and the gym. The library opened with the only book detection system in the local schools, and 2700 of the 6000 volumes ordered. The gym opened as a Christmas surprise to the students, in just enough time before Christmas to host the first basketball game on our new home court!

I wish we got this magazine.

Gee, I don't know!



Variety at West Valley

Needless to say, as soon as the gym and library were open, student organizer, Lance Gilmer, succeeded in putting together a very successful Open House. It was held on Monday, December 13, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Refreshments were served, the Concert Choir entertained people in the cafeteria, and the public left with an excellent overall impression of West Valley.

With the coming of school being delayed by two weeks, there was an immediate need to make-up these lost days. In the process of trying to find the right plan of action in which to complete a school year, many schemes were thought of. One was to start school earlier in the mornings and another was simply to add the two weeks missed to the end of the year. The end result of this mish-mash of ideas brought about school on Saturday. This meant that one of the beloved days of rest and relaxation was brutally taken up by school once a month, beginning with November. The complaints were that working students could not work and skiers could not ski and on and on. Saturdays proved to be a day of make-up for some and relaxation for others.

West Opens Its Doors.

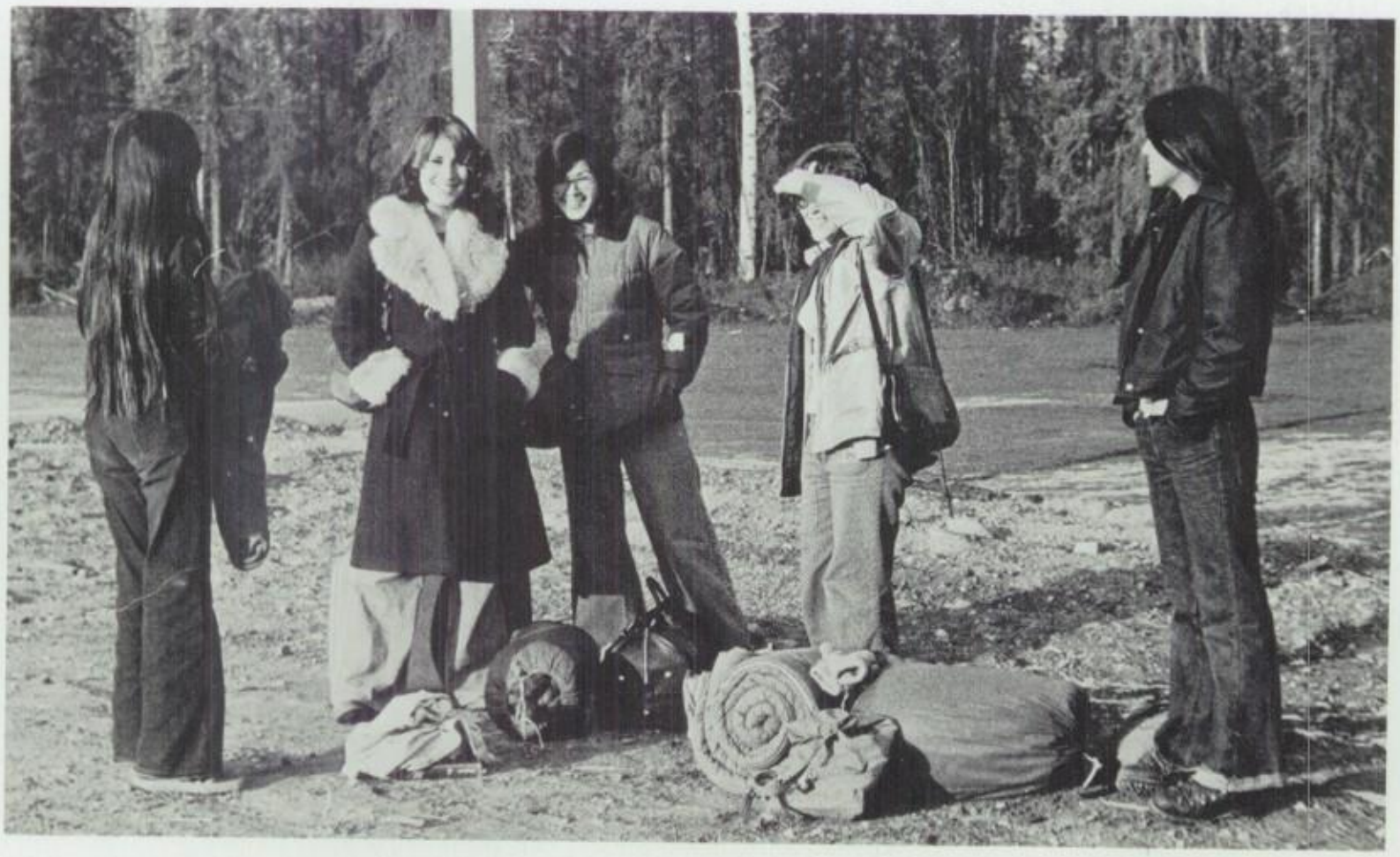
School's Fun. . .Even on Sat.?

Now Is the Time!

Avid journalists ponder a layout.

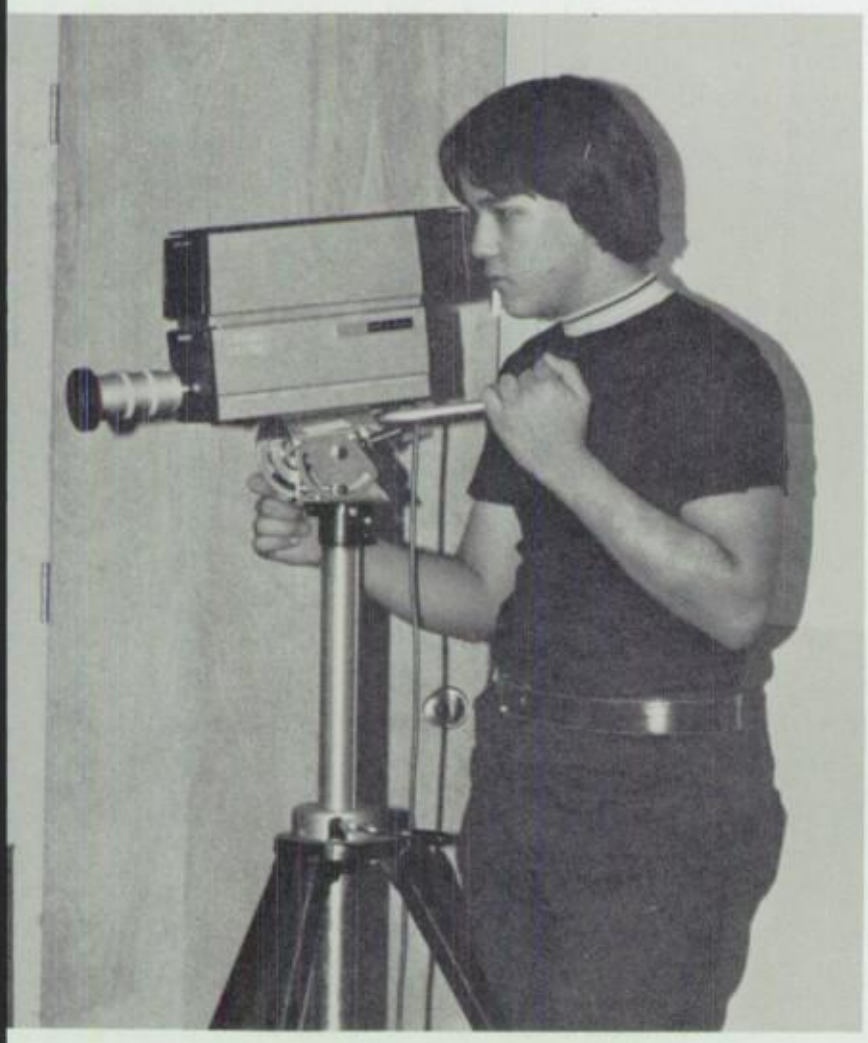
Agnes Griffith, Project NOW's journalism instructor and River Times editor.

Ready to go to Anchorage are, LEFT TO RIGHT, Mae Grant, Debby Fickus, Shirley McConnell, Bonnie Testu, and Mona Perdue.



Linda Mae Scolman is a creative lady with a creative art class.

Etta Lord teaches Native Culture. This fun course includes things like skin sewing and beading.



Lights, camera, action!

Fairbanks schools have been associated with Project NOW for the past few years.

The program offers an additional educational opportunity for area high school natives. Such courses as art, photography, Native Culture, T.V. Production, Land Claims, and Journalism, are choice offerings for any native high school student to take advantage of after one's normal school routine.

In addition to these extra classes they are able to participate in, the interested students have the opportunity to travel and learn a bit more about this fair state. Thus far this year, the group has reached Anchorage where they attended the Alaska Federation of Natives Convention; Barrow for the Iditarod Races; and finally Juneau, the capital, where they were able to observe the legislative session being held. Through this traveling throughout Alaska, Alaskan natives have a chance to learn about their heritage and culture in a comfortable in class and on the scene atmosphere.

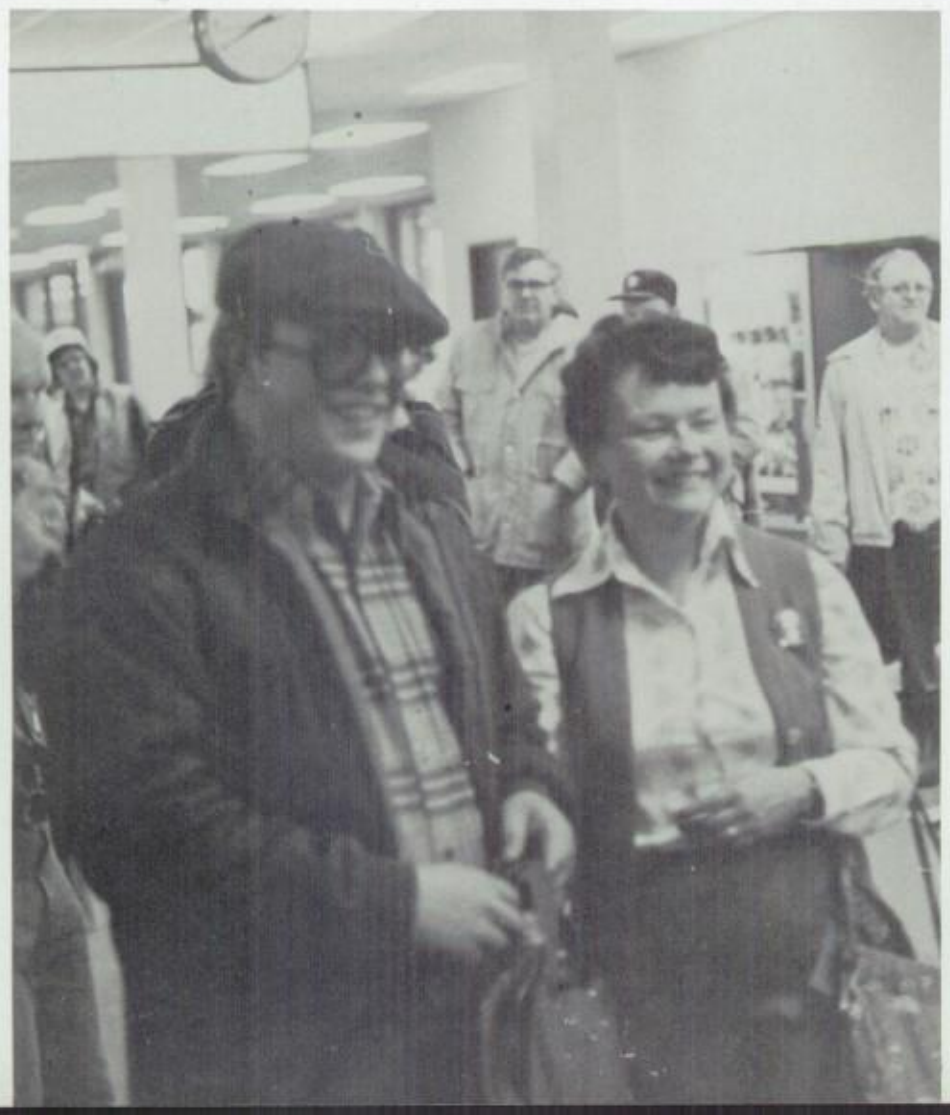
Leo and His Big Mac Attack!

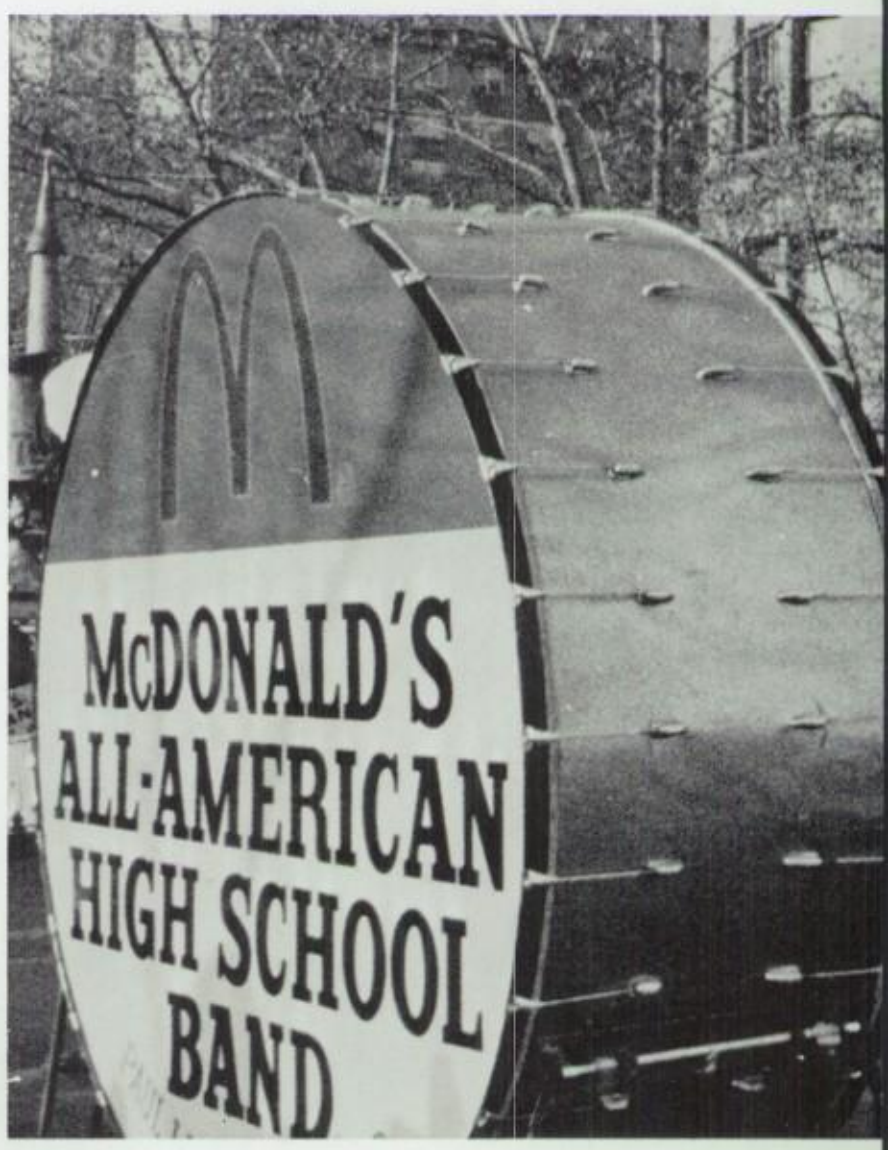
Leonard Neidhold was chosen to be a member of the 1976 McDonald's All American High School Band. He is among 102 of the nation's top high school musicians--two from each state and the District of Columbia --who are selected each year to participate in the band sponsored by McDonalds family restaurants.

Leo toured the East coast, with his big event being the Thanksgiving Macy's Parade.

After a brief Christmas, Leo then flew to California where he remet all his band cohorts. There he played in the famed Tournament of Roses Parade held in Pasadena on New Year's Day. While in California, Leo visited Universal Studios, took part in a special "Rose Parade Preview Show" on NBC, and performed in special parades and concerts at Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm.

Leo receiving an official Tournament of Roses Welcome from Trisha Kinne Hendershott, the 1975 Princess, and band director Paul LaValle.





The two best musicians from Alaska, Leo Neidhold and Mark McVee of East Anchorage High School, stand in front of the Liberty Bell.

Music With Honor

TOP TO BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Virginia Coty, Susan South, Paul Milan, Bobby Doner, Vicki Rauk, Lisa Klaich, Robert Franz.
BOTTOM: Dana Garrett, Lenard Richardson, Paul Brown, Tony Ciarochi, Leo Neidhold, Leonard Hisamoto, Brian Grey.

Leo Neidhold and Tony Ciarochi.

West Valley is proud to state that we have some outstanding musicians attending our school. After many grueling preliminary tests, 15 West band members were chosen for the All State Band.

If one is game enough, he can go through more auditions and try to become a member of the All Northwest Band. West is pleased to say that we do have such people, and because of their efforts, two band members, Tony Ciarochi and Leonard Neidhold, were elevated to the honor of playing with this band.

Congratulations are in order for these people for a job well done.

West Valley Grabs Top Honors

Required to send a tape recording of their voice or instrument, a letter of recommendation, and a completed application to be screened by judges, the 9 students chosen to represent West Valley at the All State Music Festival were worthy of their honor. Three Honor Choir students were selected along with six from Orchestra.

From this honor, students could once again compete for the positions of attending All Northwest. West was proud of the selection of three people from concert choir. Congratulations, West is proud of you!

All Northwest Choir

LEFT TO RIGHT: Lindi Hamilton, Herb Maschner, Allison Foltz.

All State Choir

Lindi Hamilton and Toby Green.

All State Orchestra

LEFT TO RIGHT: Pat Bradly, Julie Morehouse, Barbara Setzer, Druska Salisbury, Charlie Wright, Shirley Scott.

TOP ROW; LEFT TO RIGHT: Kristi Smith, Ann DeVries, Shelli Talvi, Cathy Banfill, BOTTOM ROW, Therese Viator, Erzie De'ak, Tammi Dukeman.

Quill and Scroll

People who belong to Quill and Scroll are individuals who have achieved high standards in journalism.

This club is an honorary membership organization. Students are recommended by their advisor and, when accepted, receive a pin, amongst other little mementoes.

Through Quill and Scroll, high school students are able to participate and be introduced to various writing competitions. This is all made known to them through bulletins and the "Quill and Scroll" magazine which members receive.

West Valley Quill and Scroll members are from the West Aurora and Blizzard staffs.

Boys and Girls State

LEFT TO RIGHT: Bill Thompson, Drake Selmer, Joan Heidel, Herb Maschner, Karen Coston, Leo Lemon, Mike Zahare.

Each year the American Legion Sponsors Boys and Girls State. This summer time venture takes place to give choice youths some knowledge of the "hows and whys" of our government. The gentlemen had their sessions at the University of Alaska while the young ladies traveled to Anchorage for their lessons.

For seven very memorable days each group lived through a rigid schedule of workshops, lectures, and what-not. During this time they learn alot, had a little fun, and remembered it all.

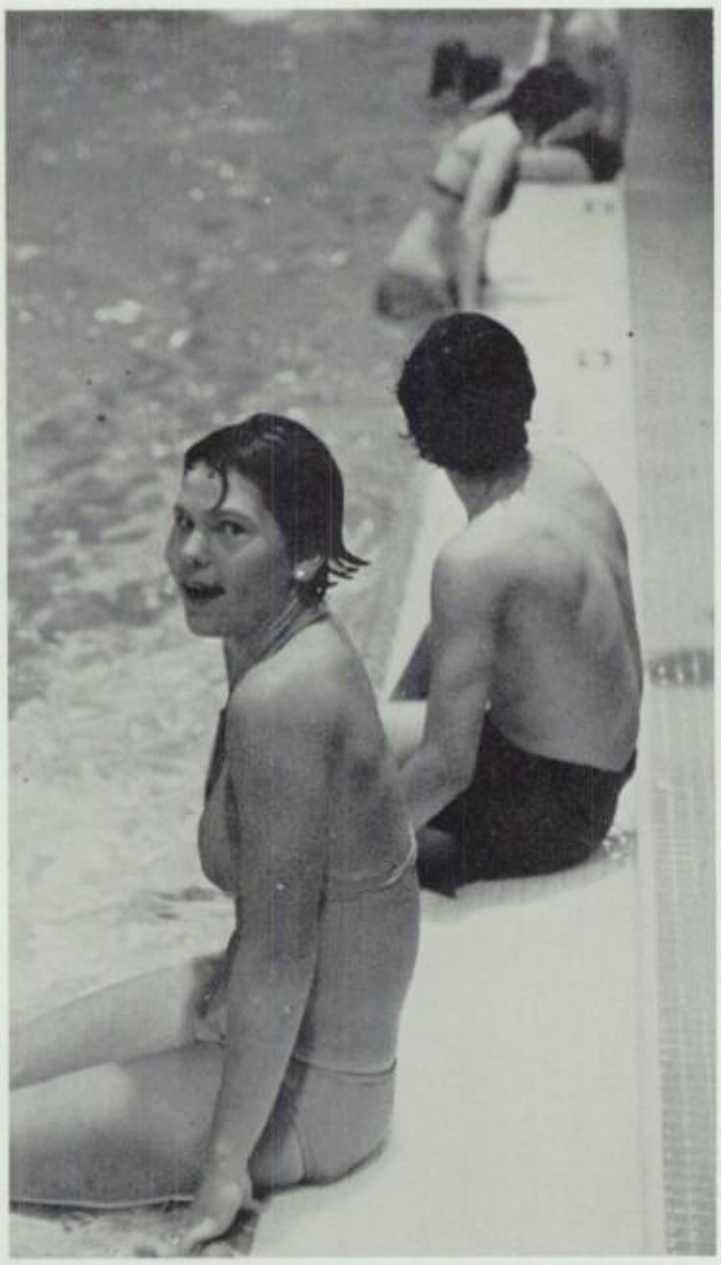
West Valley is proud to state that out of all 80 boys state attenders, Drake Selmer, was elected as Lt. Governor, which is the 2nd highest office available in the "mock" government construction by the students. All in all it proved to be a very enjoyable and enlightening experience.

Keyhearts Cherish Forever

On the night of December 18, the first dance was hosted by the West Valley Key Club. This gig is an annual tradition which this association has put on for the purpose of announcing the new Key Hearts. Key Hearts, being the only female members of the club, are specially picked from each of the four classes with the Senior Key Heart as Queen. With a drum roll from the band, "A Shot In The Dark", Ed Randolph, as President of the club, announced the nominees from each class, presenting them with carnations and roses, for the new Key Hearts. Jody Vignola was presented as the Queen Key Heart; with Dottie Johnson, as the Junior Key Heart; Mary Bezona, as the Sophomore Key Heart; and Karen Tyson, as the Freshman Key Heart. The new Key Hearts will indeed "Cherish Forever" this memory.

Senior Frolics

Due to the lack of snow this year, an alternative to the annual Senior Sledding Party was found in the all-new Senior Swim Party. These parties were held after hours at the U. of A's pool from 10:00 pm. to midnite. After a vigorous swim and a soothing sauna, a quick brunch of cheese and crackers awaited seniors and guests in the Nanook Lounge. Attendance was always high which always helped with the success of the big event.



The first dance of the year was held by the Senior class on January 8th. The theme was "Beginnings" and was held in honor of the new arrivals in the school called Freshman. Normally this dance would have been held at the beginning of school except some minor problems regarding the building completion delayed this. Although it was halfway into the school year, many Freshmen failed to attend because of the terrifying fear of being initiated by the Almighty Seniors. Thus, even with West Lathrop graduate, Jeff Tyson, as disc jockey, attendance was lacking.

West Has Spirit in '77!

Spirit '77 was definitely the topic at the pep assembly on February 1st.

All the athletic teams were introduced and such specialties as Coach DeLeon, a la cake mix, or a delicacy of Mr. Schellinger, topped with eggs and flour were a sight to see. Hockey coach, Marlo Miller, had an added touch as the hockey players chipped in the funds to provide a few extra additives and preservatives.

In addition to all of this battering, there were two tug-of-wars; the cheerleaders out-tugged the matmaids, as did the football players in their tug against the wrestlers.

The pep assembly proved to be a success and it became evident that West Valley High Schoolers are full of spirit and pep!

Ellen Evans cheers for the Class of 79.

"Do you think anyone will recognize us in these disguises?"

BELOW, the Wrestlers lose to the Football team in a tug-of-war.

"Rub it in, rub it in . . . "

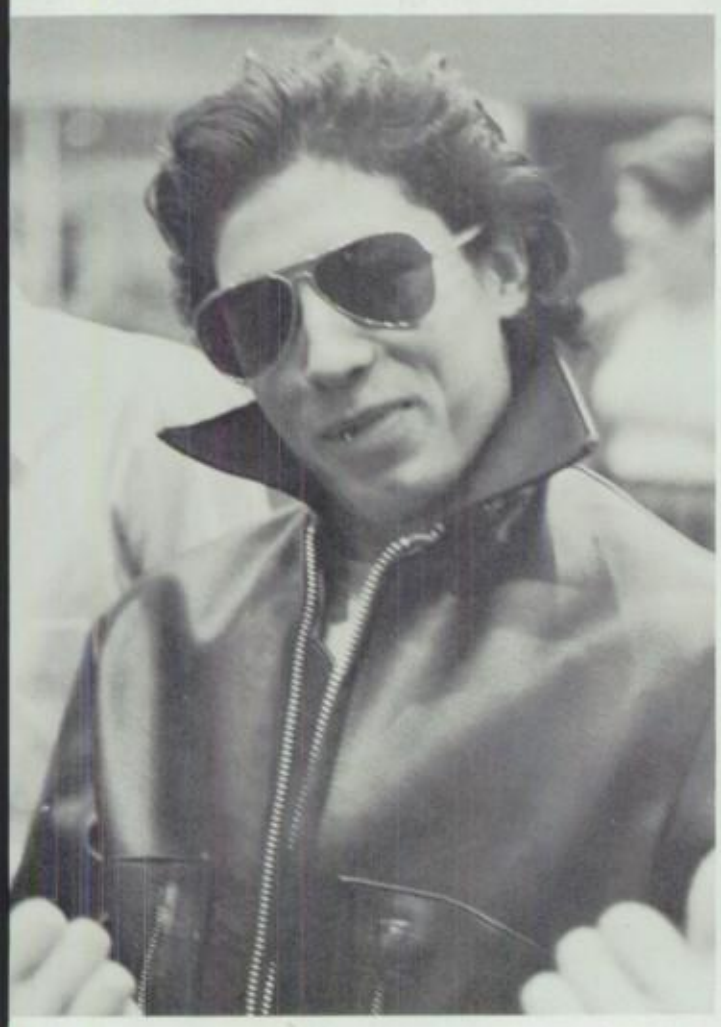
February 8, 1957 and You Were There . . .

If your parents' old clothes have been packed away all these years, Tuesday, February 8 would have been the day to drag out the boxes and put them to use. Greasy hair, leather jackets, red lips, and bobby socks were not an unusual sight! For those of you who missed Fifties Day, it was a big success!

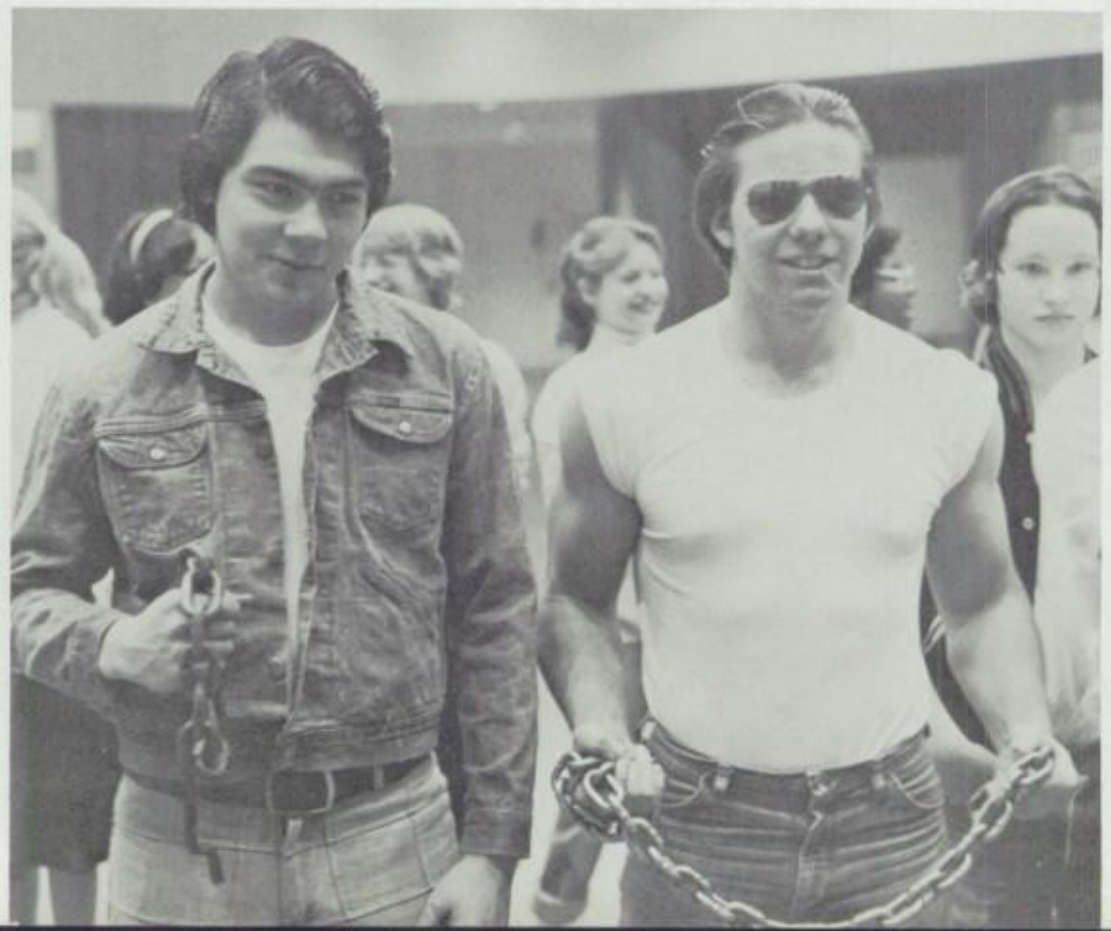
After Paul Brown and Lynda Foster's costumes were chosen as the best, student council sponsored an in-school dance and dance contest. Fifties and seventies music were divided up equally, with Porcia Fenton and Ray Wheat carrying off the honor of best dancers. It was a day that not too many will forget; and will look forward to it again next year!

ABOVE, Porcia does the "Robot."

BELOW is West Valley's "Fonz."



ABOVE, Tark twists the night away at the hop.



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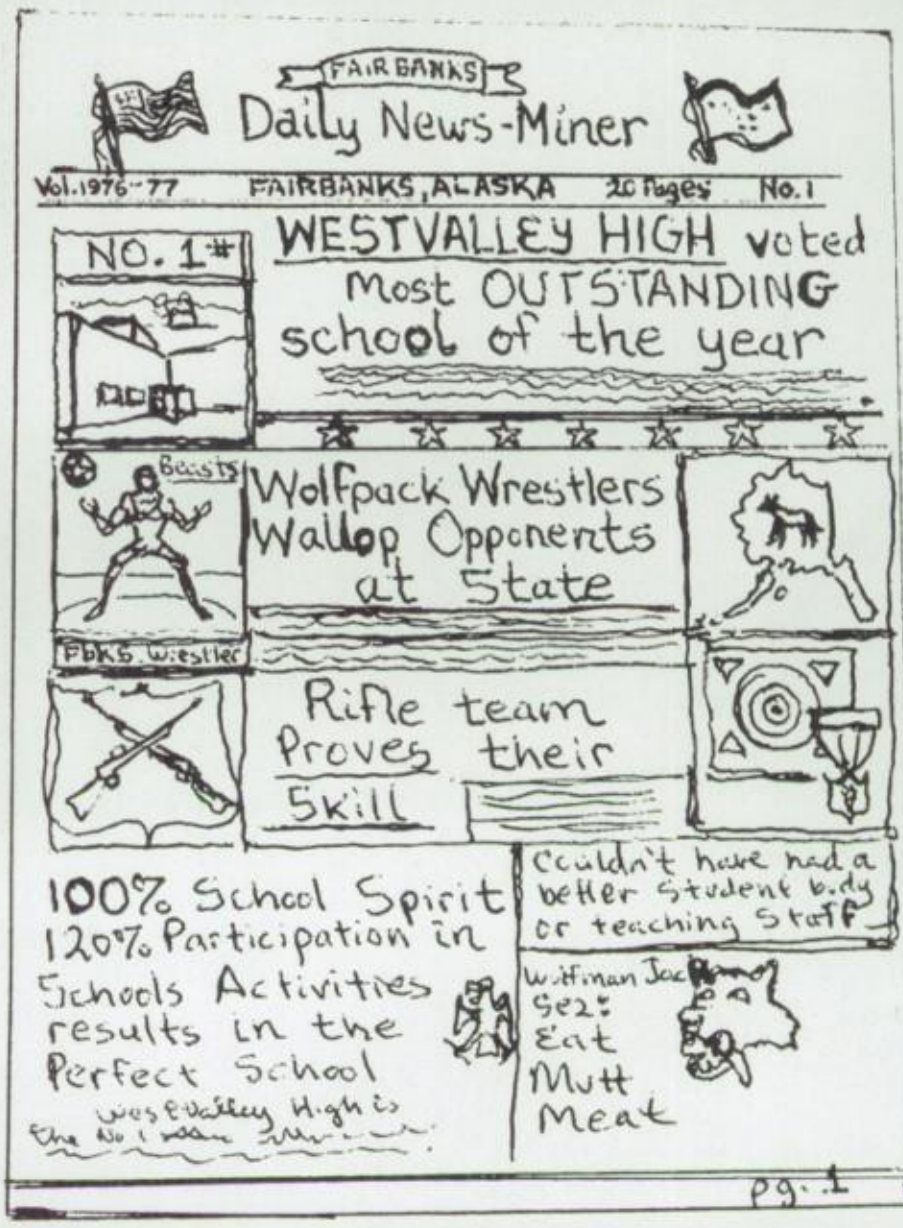
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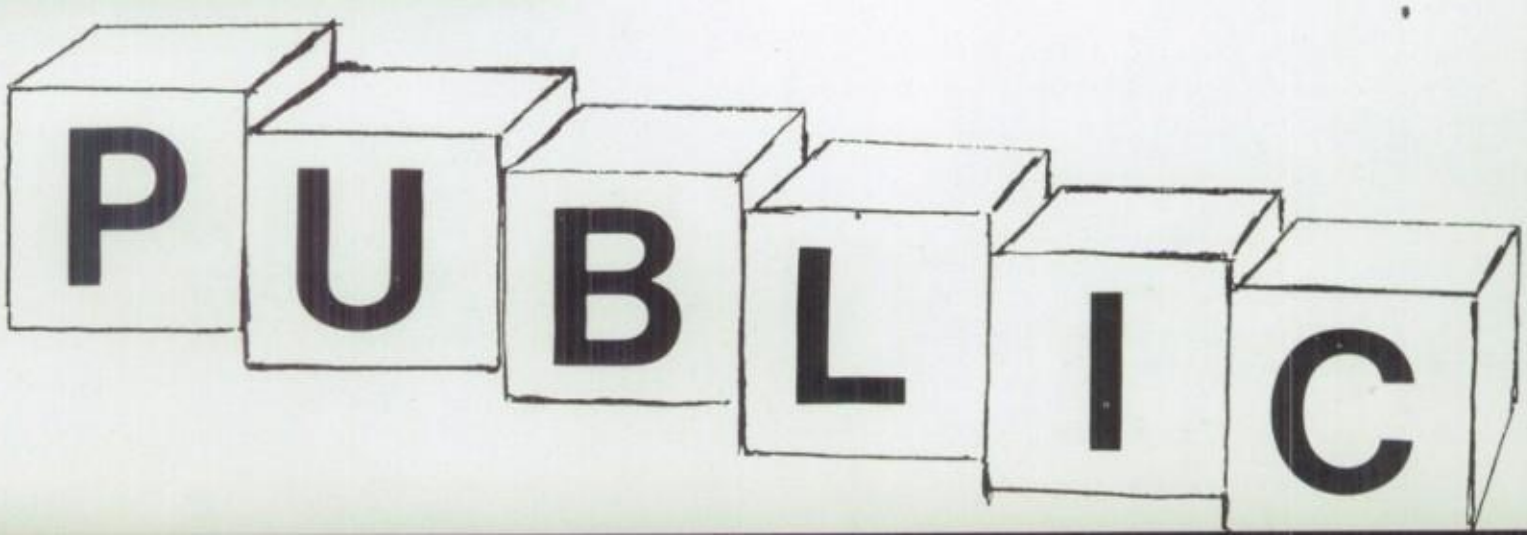
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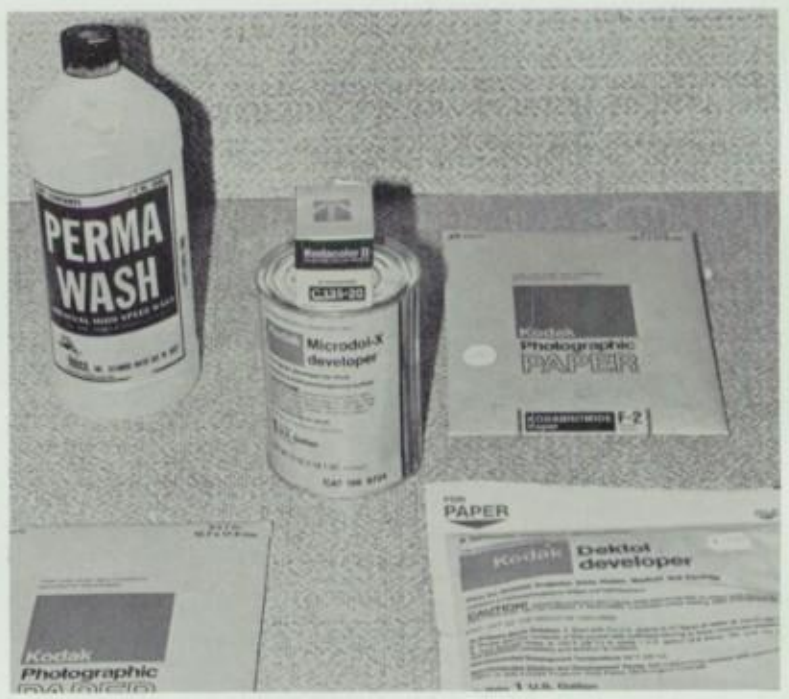
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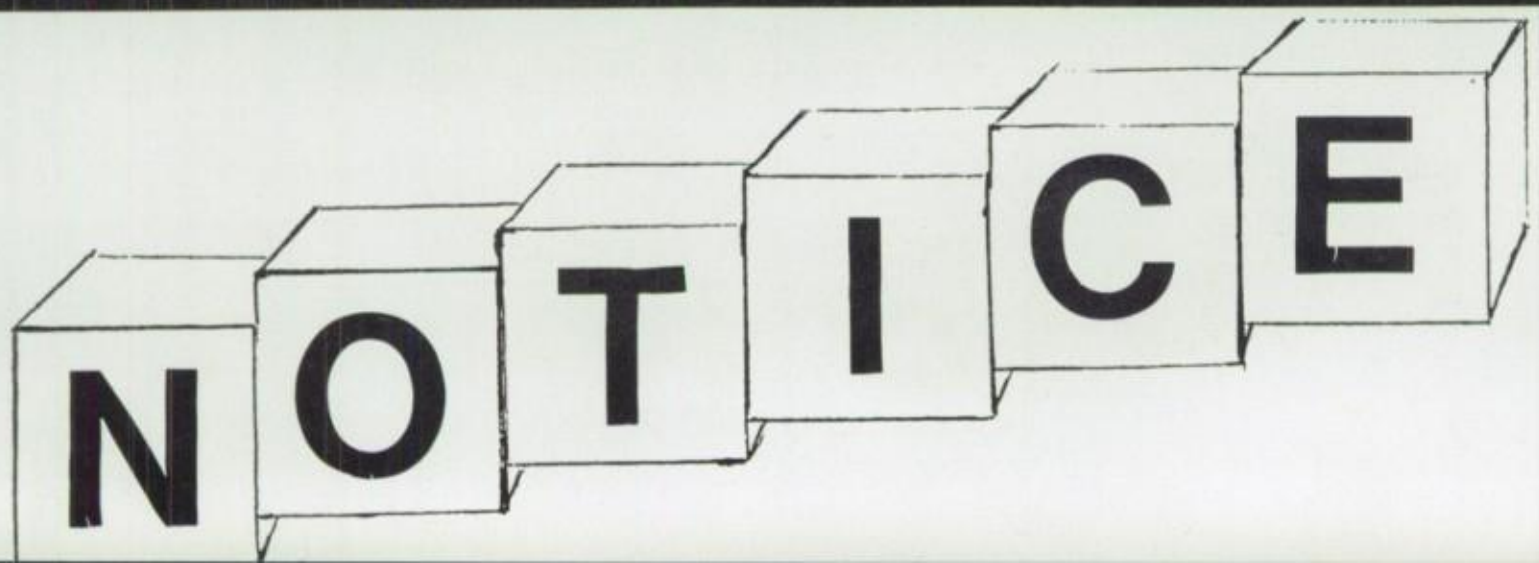
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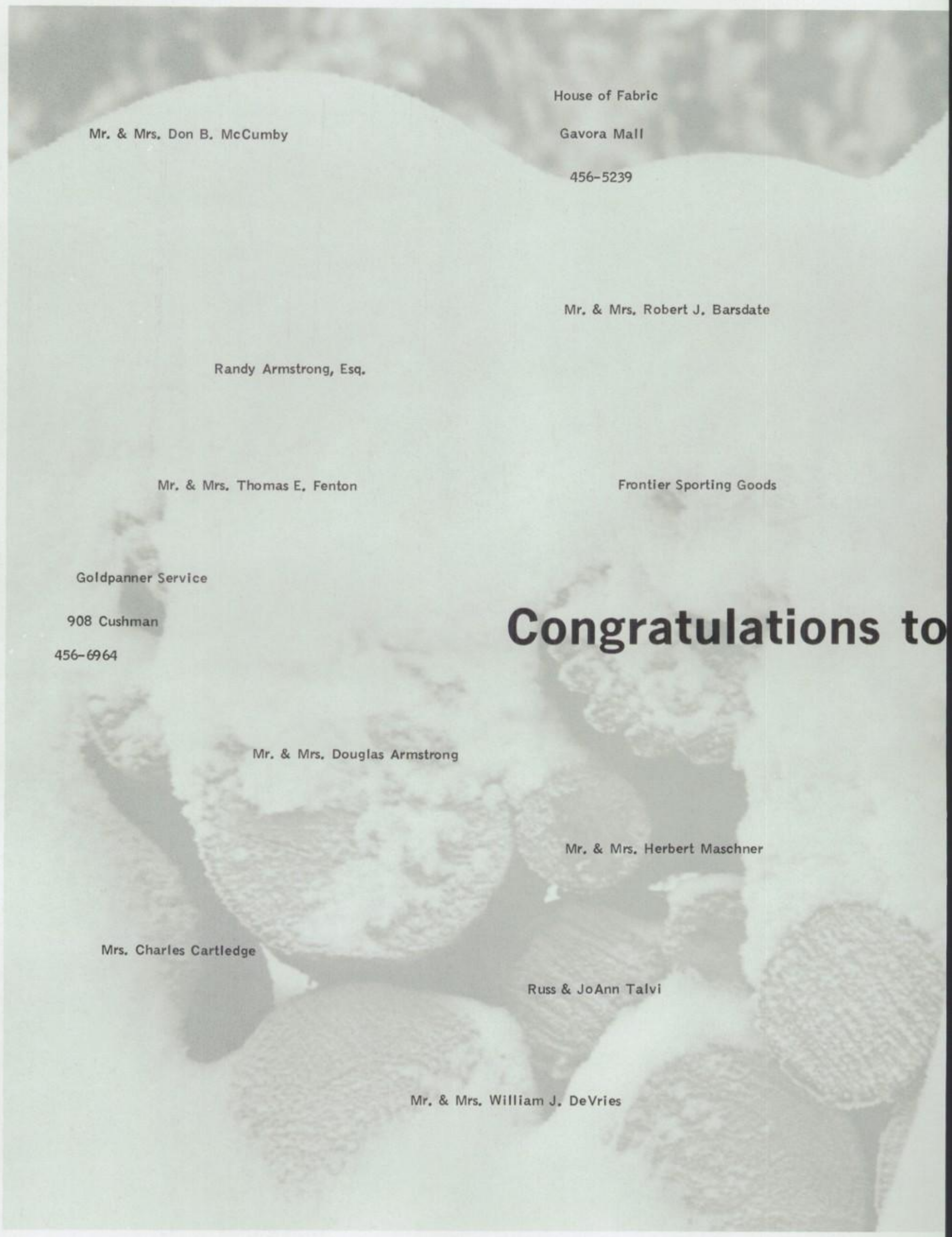
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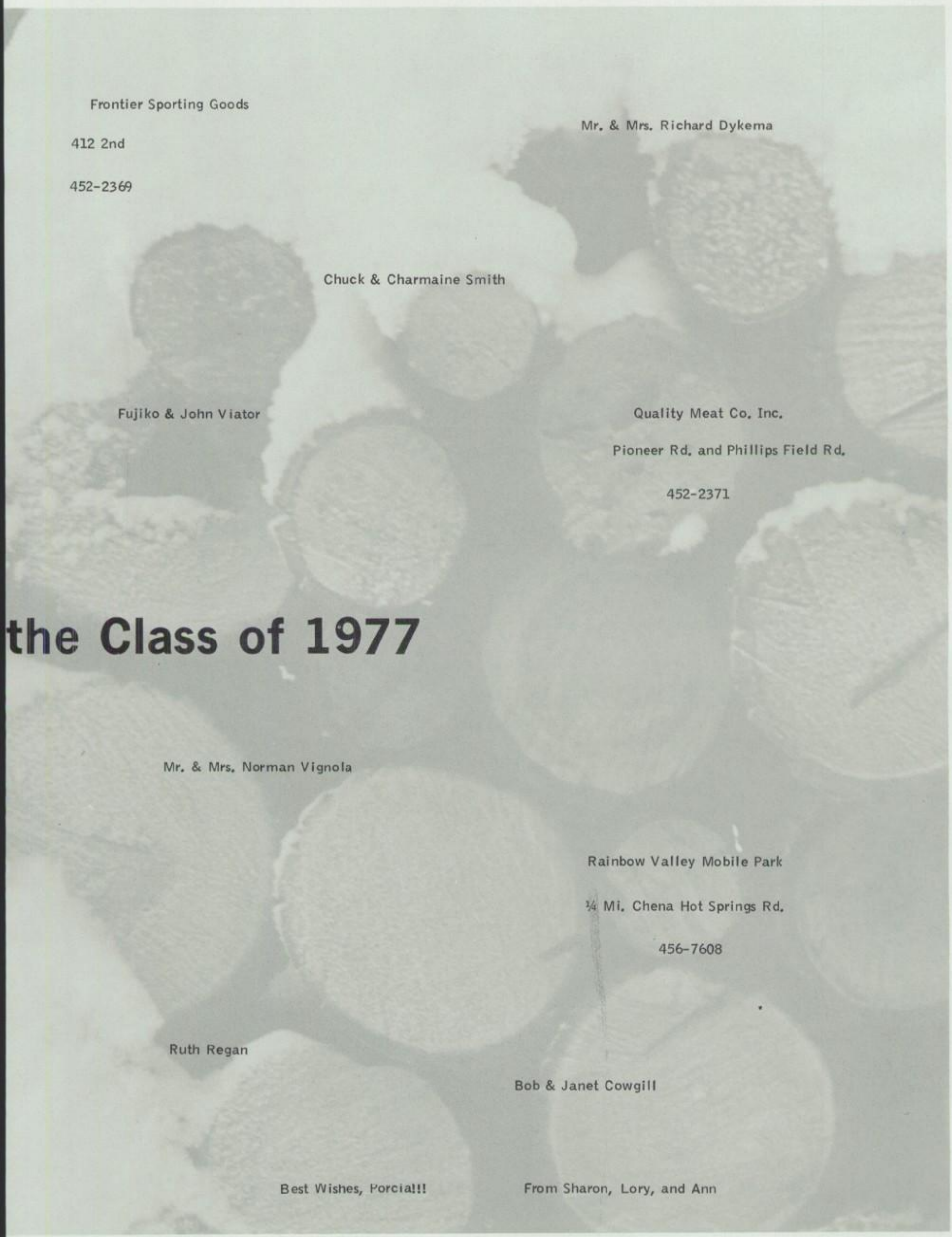

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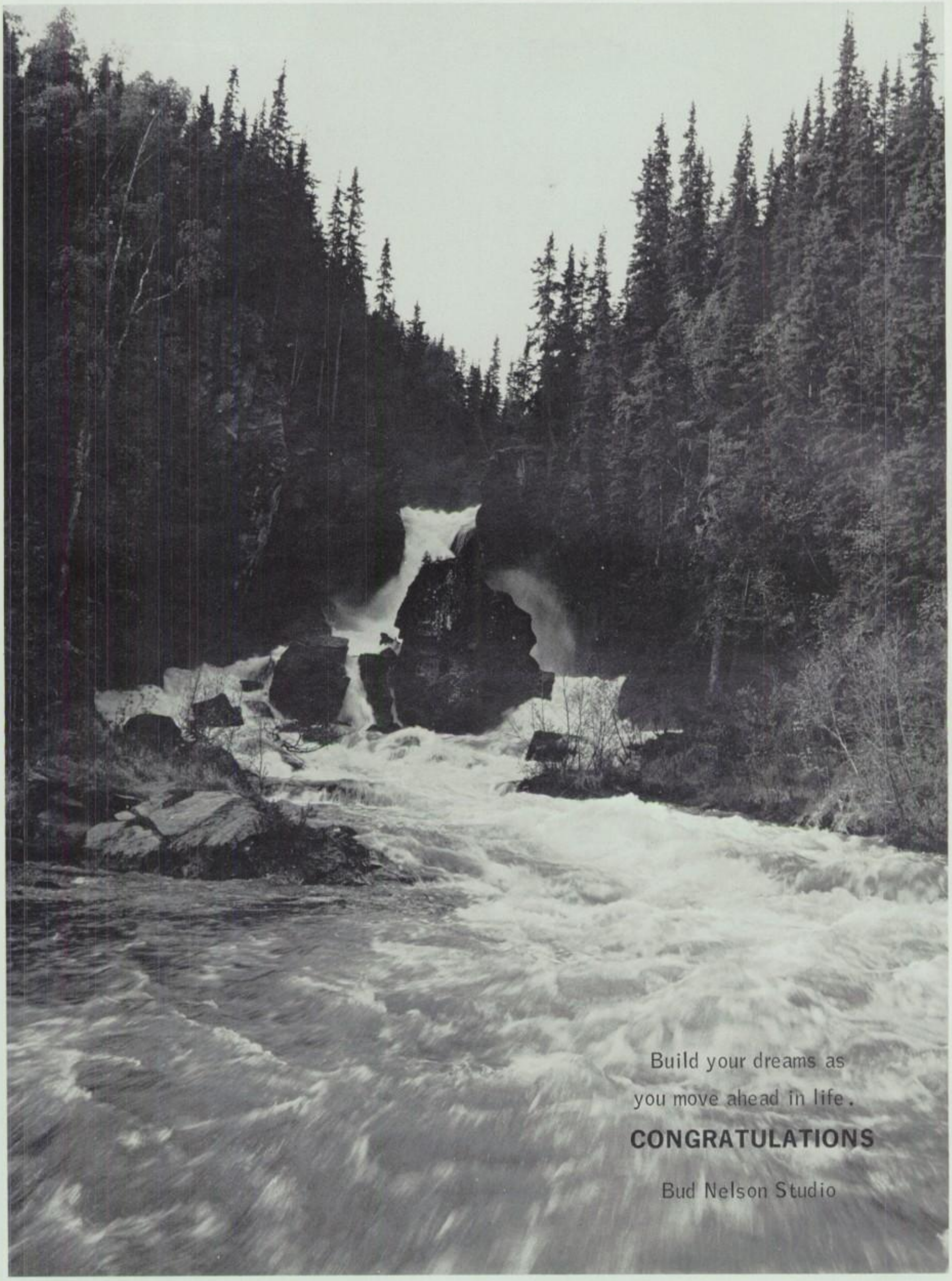
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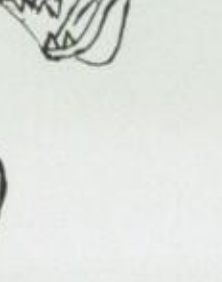

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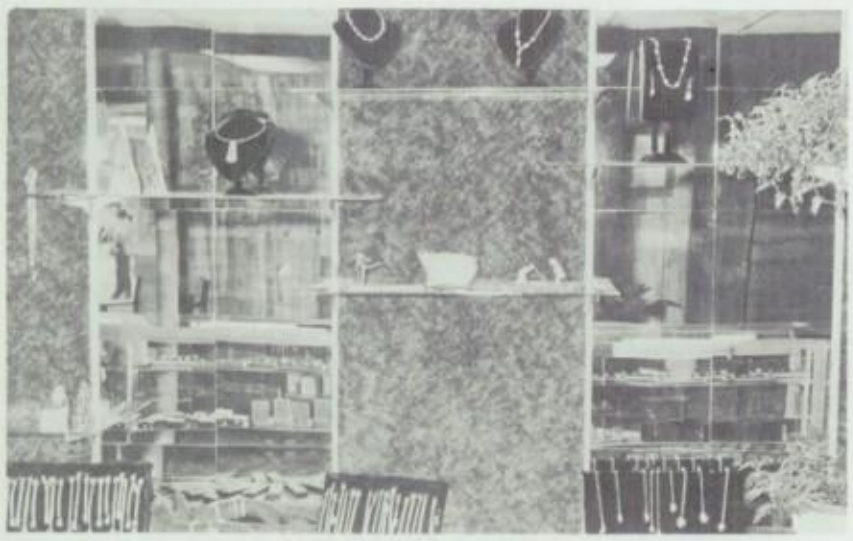

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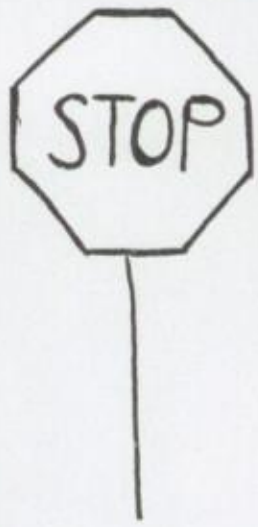

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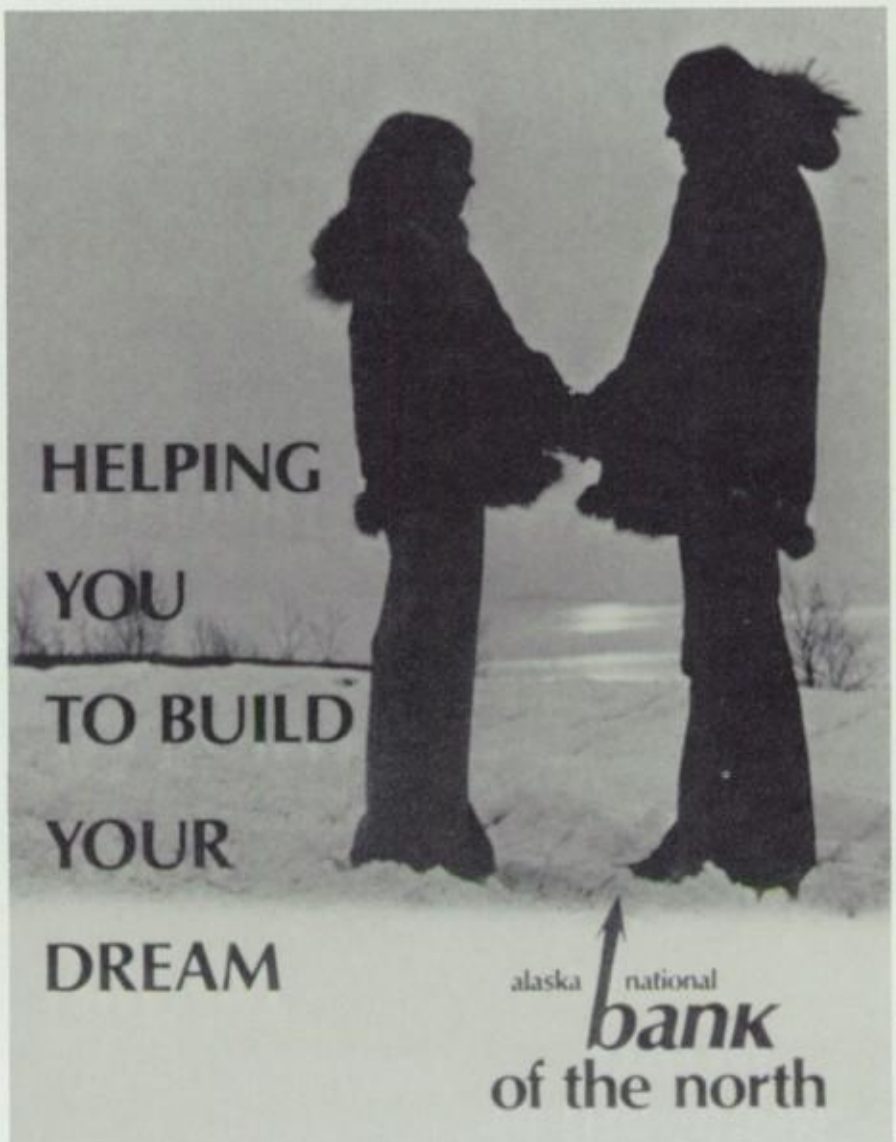

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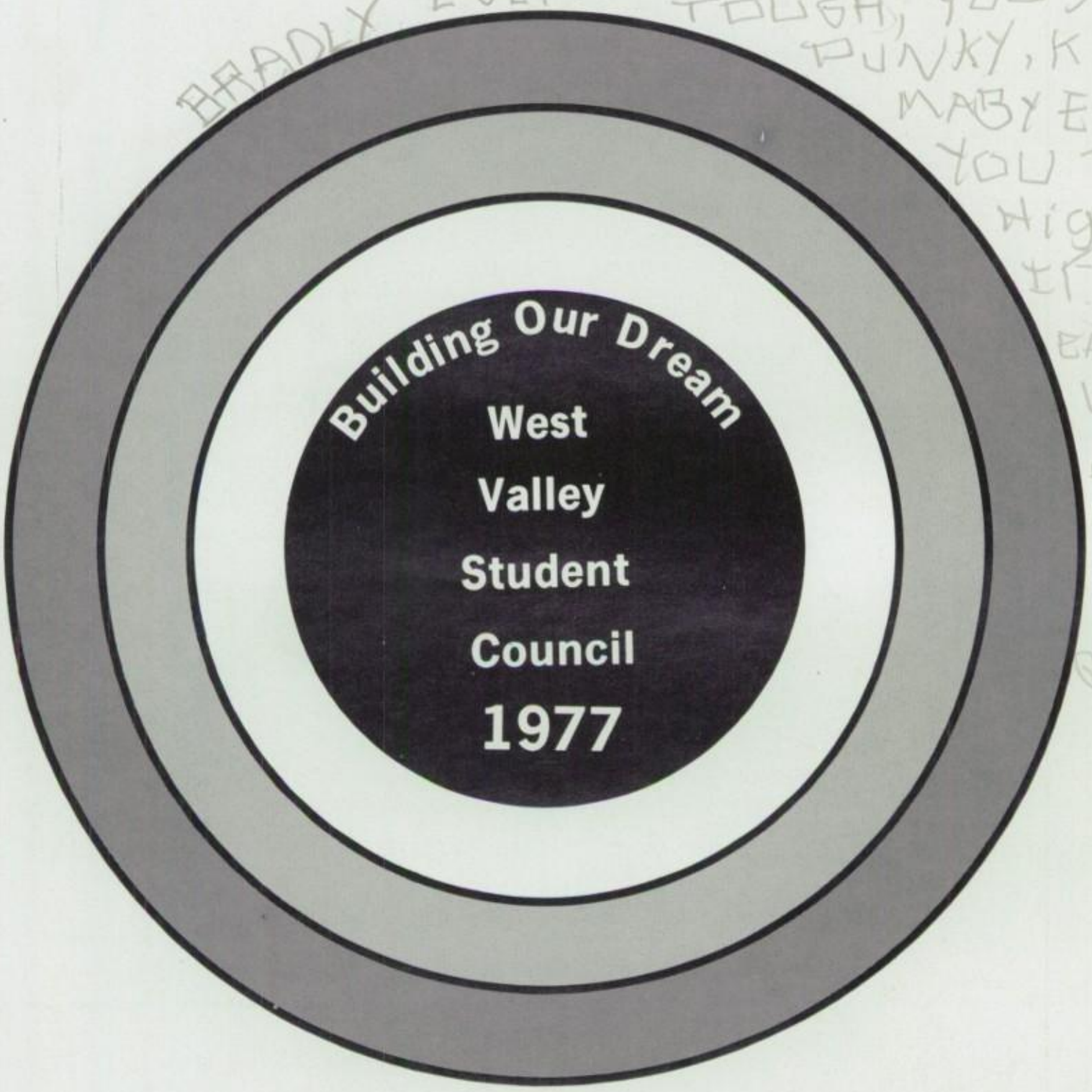

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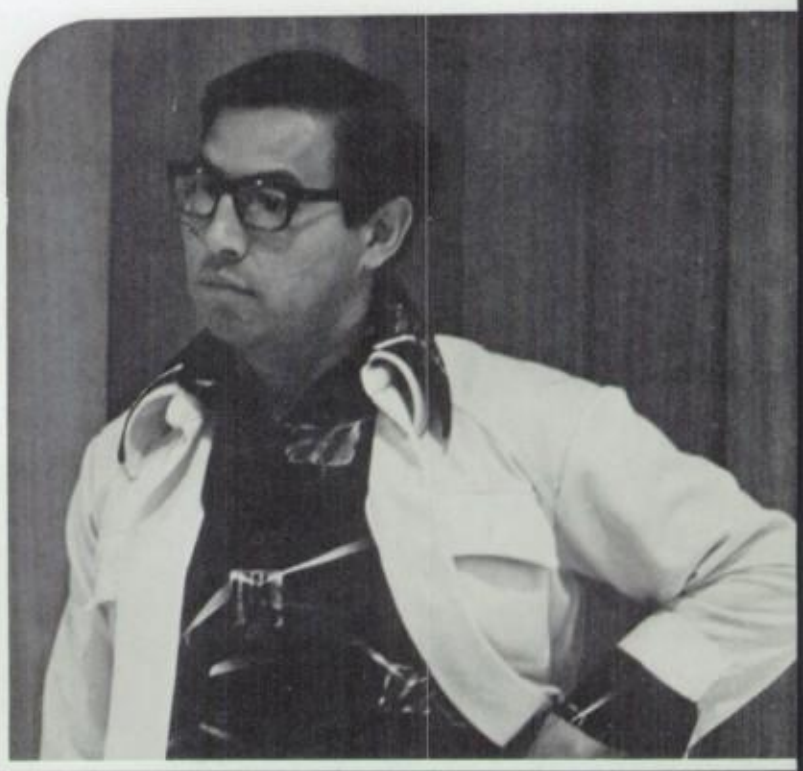

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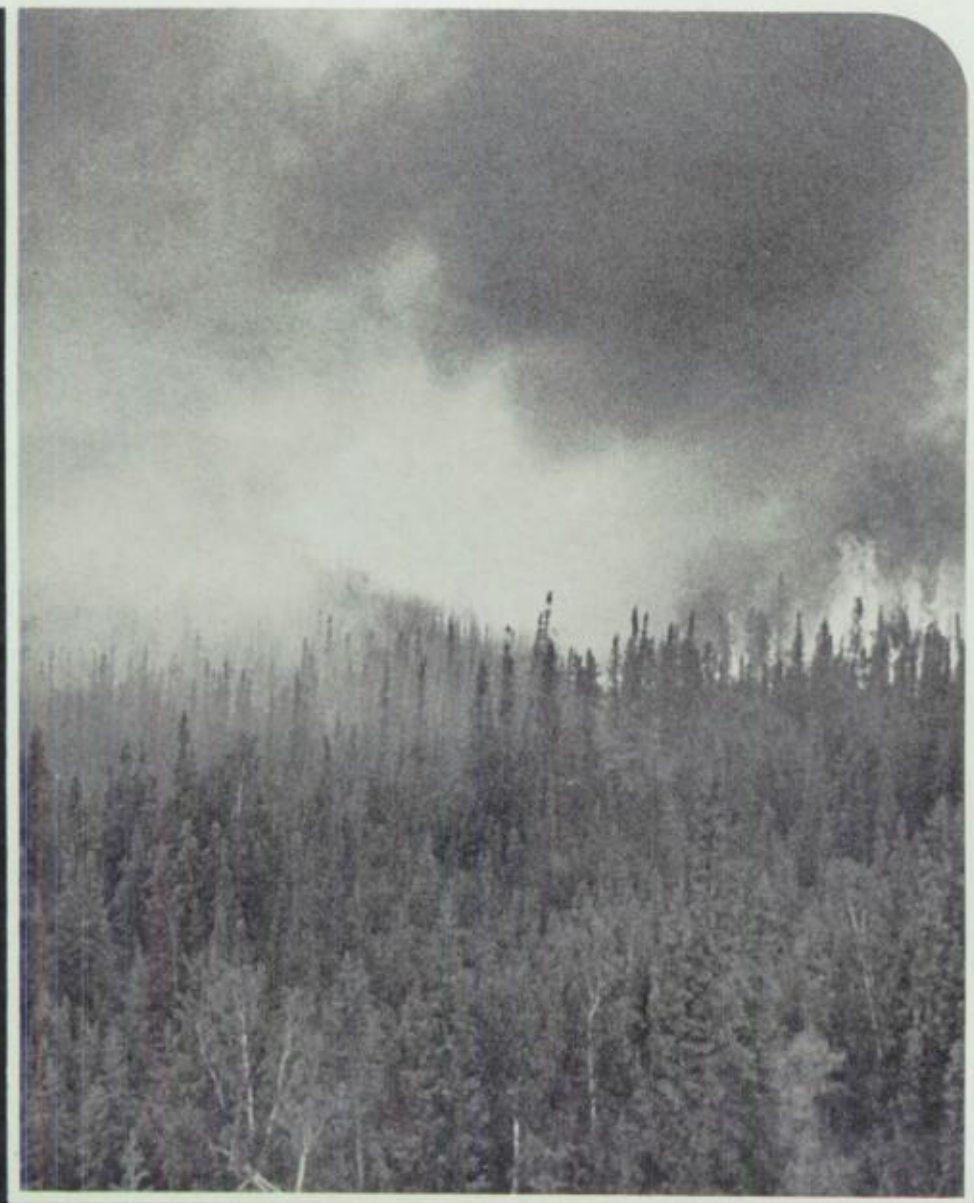
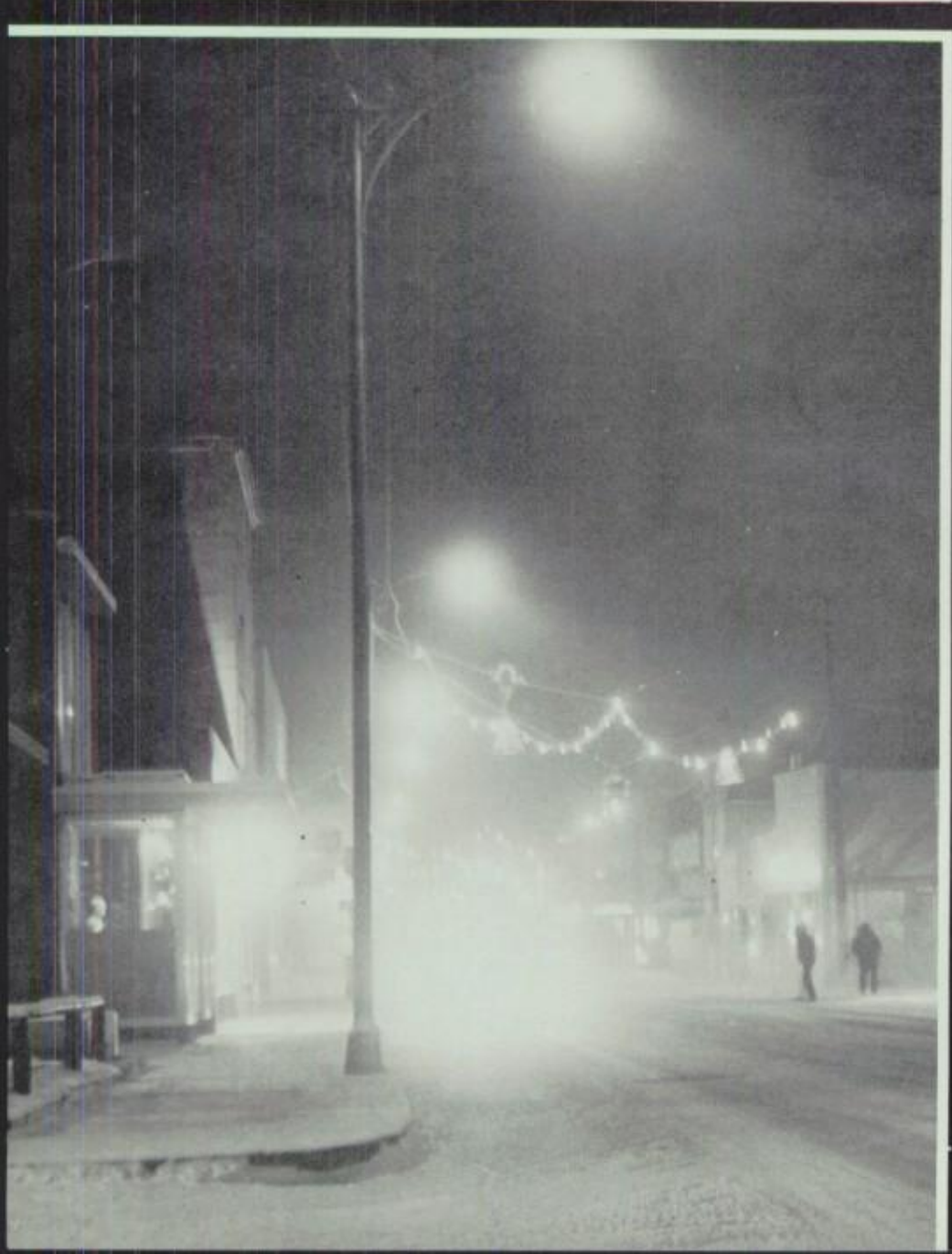




"Winter . . . sometimes a cold and desolate time of year."

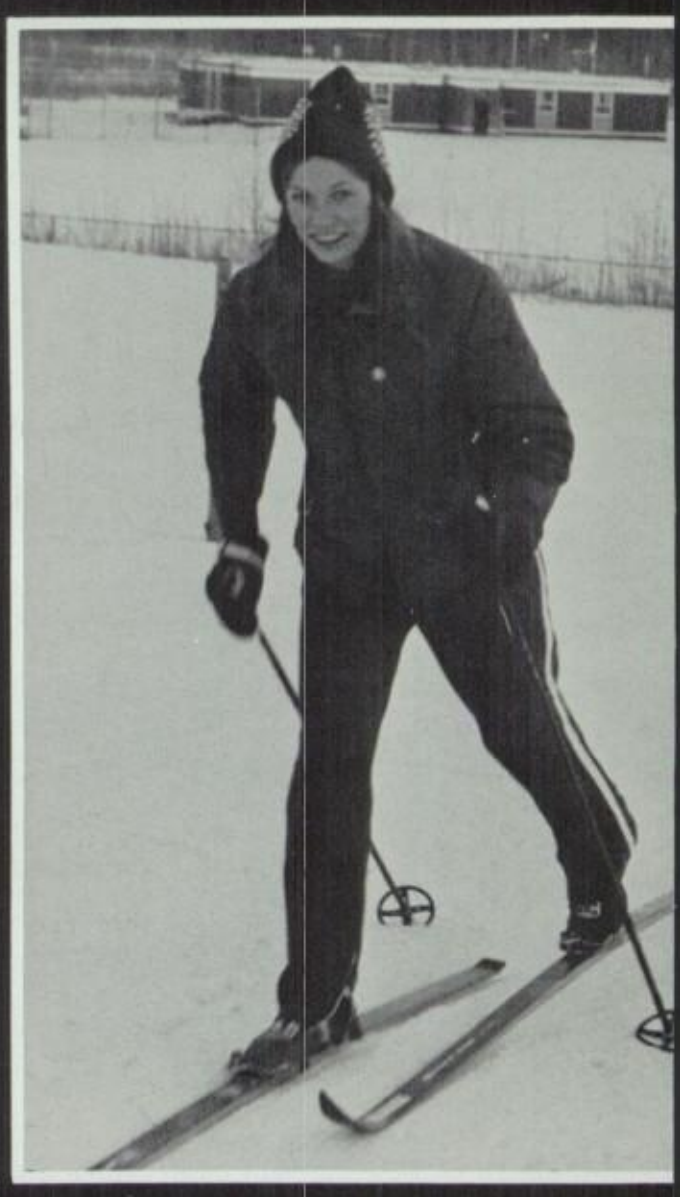
So Close Your Eyes . . .

Once again, a year has passed and summer is almost upon us. The anticipation of what is to come, whether it be in college, in high school, or in the work field, the unknown leads to some hesitation, nostalgia reigns, and minds are buzzing.

The first year for the West Valley High was a productive year and shows that West holds a great amount of potential for a terrific school with spirit and might. All of us have helped to build this and, as the year comes to a close, we must all go about the building of ourselves. The making of better people will be a job for all--it will be more difficult than getting the Wolfpack crowd out into the gym and yelling for our mighty 'Pack.

Our days are cleared now, summer holds many an open door and many a free moment. The days of these gorgeous months to come are yours, mine, and ours. Build upon them and reflect upon what you have done. Now is the time to succumb to the sad, yet happy farewells. Open the doors and remember to keep on building. . .for, next September and the months that follow hold a great deal of life to be completed.

"I've got the music in me!"



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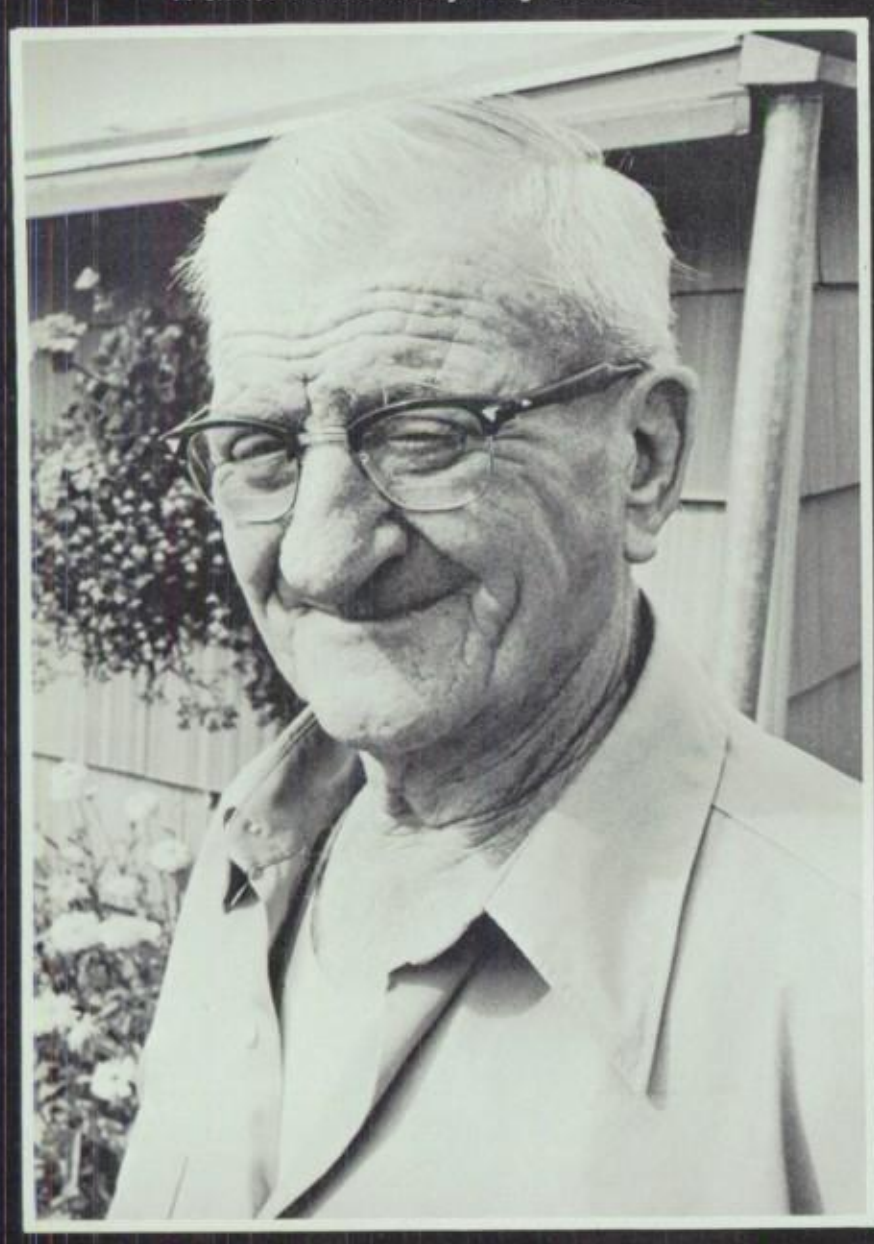
"A smile makes everything A.O.K."



"We dare you to build YOUR dream!"

Brad,
Well! The 8th year
is just about over
now thank God) and no matter
how close you are I still think
That you are pretty cool. Later

Mike Durel
"DD"
Bates

5-25-7171

Brad,
Its been on heck of a
year! (Glad its all over with!) Keep running
+ bouncin' the ball. Next year we'll have
a better track team. I am glad I met
you, you are a really nice person!
Stay out of trouble + Keep on kicking!
Love + friendship
always Sally
Annie

'79 is divine!

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Brad
I've been in a couple classes with you this year, But I didn't know you very well. I did know your sweet and nice personality. Stay that way and go far in life. Keep on motor cyclin'!
Later
Love always
Your friend
Ryan.

Remember apes class!

Brad,
See you in football and at the trap range, see ya around!
Gary Mann

Brad-

Nobody every introduced us, but I do know you from study hall. I think I met you in 8th grade, you use to leave next to Harry & Nancy, I'd lived near them too. Well, hope to see ya next year.

Laurie Dunkin

"80".

P.S. Ya need to brush up on your cards a little.

Dear Brad,
It been a pleasure knowing you. Hope we stay friends for awhile & have a wonderful summer. Take care and all that jazz. Good luck in years to come. Always friends.
Michele

Class of "80"

Brad--
I really don't know
how to start this be-
cause there is so much
that I feel but cannot write.
I had some great times together
at the Prom and Track and every-
thing else. Remember the nylons and
"boys' aren't supposed to be in the
past 4:00." Wow, it's wierd looking
thinking that our boy-girl relationship
is one of a kind. It seems to feel like we are
drifting apart more and more now. It probably all my
would be better if I could help the way I feel inside and maybe
be a super guy and very "looking good"! You have a rine a mile long
girls just waiting to get their little paws on you but I want you
be picky and choose the very best. You sure deserve it. Your personal-
one of a rare kind. Use it wisely and guarenteed it will take you
world. Track holds a great future for you do well in the Regionals so
fortune teller or something.) I hope you also. (Boy, I must sound
can go to anchorage. If you don't that's okay too. Remember--were
Freshmen and have 3 more years. some people are made to be
friends and others something more. kinda looks likes wes bombed out
feel something huh? we gave it a heck of a good try. I hope
know and understand the way I do because then I will know that
this ever happens to me I learn a great deal about people. and
get smart that bad comes with going through. each time something
summer! How without experience. I'm going to be neat if people
Just think you'll get anybody not! sure I would be neat in CA
keep your head high and smile okay. I'll be a ghost in AK.
think of me once in a while and you know my number
talking. Thinking of you and Love your way
always-
Linda
'80

HELLO BRAD!
I REALLY DO
NOT KNOW YOU
THAT WELL HAVE
FUN! LOVE LAURI
CODE

High Brad,
This Is The End
Of The Year 77
See You Next Year
Bubba
(Bill)

Well you
Big flirt!
you in track is
like ... oh well, you
look older for a freshman.
Just think, next year you'll be
a soph. You're a very neat guy, watter!
See ya next,
Jennifer
Fato
79

Brad,

Wow man, like oh wow!
What a year! Never be any
like it (luckly). I think all
the freshmans of 77 are
so nice and friendly. Thanks
for the memories. . . . Basket
ball, track . . . my gosh what
a jock. Good luck with your
future H. S. years. Don't get
stuck-up, if you do you will
lose that charm about you.
Take care.

Yours

Victor

Brad
I got
hope
a year
as good
Dont sweet
get into
your
friend
Always
Lwyn
KROSHUS
"80"

I'm sure
you had a
sure did a
summer have
stay
you are
any trouble

Brad,
Your a
really nice guy
& I'm glad I
of got to know
I hope you
nice summer & maybe I'll
ya sometime. If not
See ya next year.
Love,
Nancy
Anderson

Hi Brad
I'm really glad
met ya this year
a super guy. I hope
a good classis next year & keep
touch over the summ
Love,
Lee

Hey Brad,

We've got to get together and go to more of Nancy's partys OK?? Well stay as cute as ever ok. and keep your body in good shape too.

Love ya lots

Love

Teesa

(Theresa)

Chinc Power.

Brad,

Youre a great guy with a lot of class which is hard to find around here. Keep up with track by the time youre a senior your going to be deadly (at running that is ☺) Keep in touch. Maybe I'll come back + help coach next year ☺. I hope you enjoy the rest of high school.

Have a happy

Nancy Hease

'77

Brad
It's been fun Knowing you and hope to see you this summer and next year in School or on the Ski slopes. Good luck with the girls and stay cool
your freind always
Mark Williams